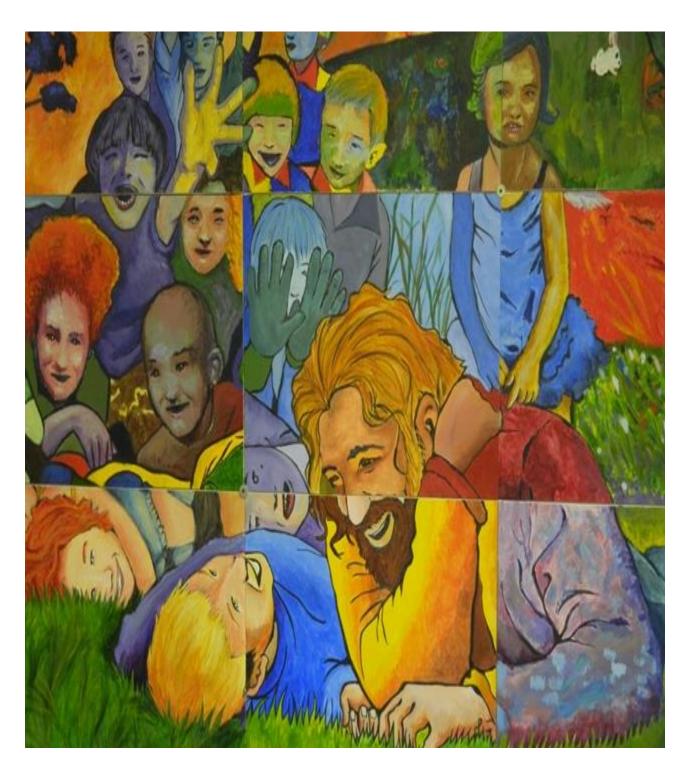
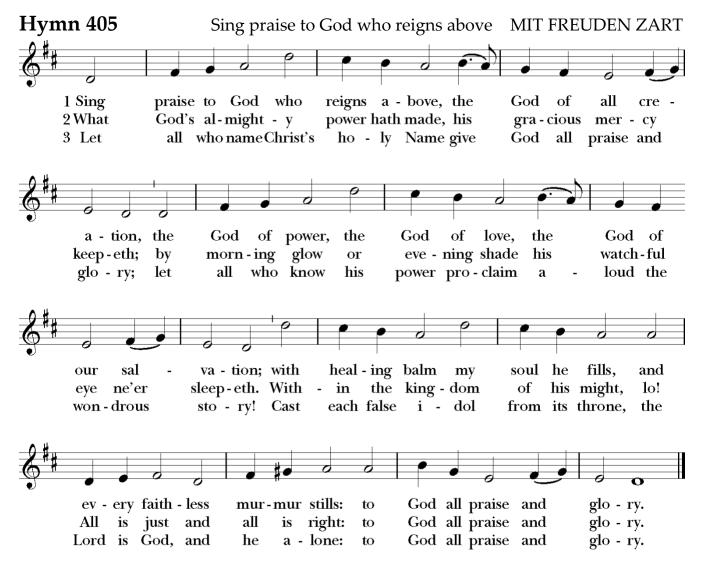


Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost

19 September 2021, 10:30 am



Please stand as you are able when the procession enters the nave.



Words: Johann Jacob Schütz (1640-1690); tr. Frances Elizabeth Cox (1812-1897), alt.

Music: Mit Freuden zart, melody from "Une pastourelle gentille," 1529; adapt. Pseaumes cinquante de David, 1547, and Kirchengeseng darinnen die Heubtartickel des Christlichen Glaubens gefasset, 1566; harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958), after Heinrich Reimann (19th cent.)

Opening Acclamation

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

People: And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Presider: Let us pray together:

People: 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.

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray.

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed 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 LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please be seated.

The Old Testament Lesson Proverbs 31:10-31 NRSV

A reading from the book of Proverbs.

A capable wife who can find?

She is far more precious than jewels.

The heart of her husband trusts in her, and he will have no lack of gain.

She does him good, and not harm, all the days of her life.

She seeks wool and flax, and works with willing hands.

She is like the ships of the merchant, she brings her food from far away.

She rises while it is still night and provides food for her household and tasks for her servant-girls.

She considers a field and buys it; with the fruit of her hands she plants a vineyard.

She girds herself with strength, and makes her arms strong.

She perceives that her merchandise is profitable. Her lamp does not go out at night.

She puts her hands to the distaff, and her hands hold the spindle.

She opens her hand to the poor, and reaches out her hands to the needy.

She is not afraid for her household when it snows, for all her household are clothed in crimson.

She makes herself coverings; her clothing is fine linen and purple.

Her husband is known in the city gates, taking his seat among the elders of the land.

She makes linen garments and sells them; she supplies the merchant with sashes.

Strength and dignity are her clothing, and she laughs at the time to come.

She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue.

She looks well to the ways of her household, and does not eat the bread of idleness.

Her children rise up and call her happy; her husband too, and he praises her:

"Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all."

Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised.

Give her a share in the fruit of her hands, and let her works praise her in the city gates.

The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 1

Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, * nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

Their delight is in the law of the LORD, * and they meditate on his law day and night.

They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; * everything they do shall prosper.

It is not so with the wicked; *
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, * nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, * but the way of the wicked is doomed.

The New Testament Lesson James 3:13-4:3, 7-8 NRSV

A reading from the letter of James.

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures.

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.



Words: Washington Gladden (1836-1918) Music: Maryton, Henry Percy Smith (1825-1898)

Gospel Mark 9:30-37 NRSV

Gospeler: ▶ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus and his disciples passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being

killed, he will rise again." But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Steven P. Swartzell
Associate Rector

A period of silent reflection follows the homily.

The Nicene Creed All stand and say together.

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 of 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 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 worshipped 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.

Intercessory Prayers

Leader: We look to you, O God, to teach us how to be whom you reacted us

to be. Shine your light on the path ahead. Catch us when we take a wrong turn, and by your Spirit, move us in the right direction. We

are your children;

People: Teach us how to live, O God.

Leader: We yearn for peace but are constantly at war with ourselves, our

neighbors, and the nations throughout the world. We are your

children;

People: Teach us how to make peace, O God.

Leader: We, your church, are easily distracted by things that don't matter.

Turn our eyes to you; open our hearts to you; deepen our love of you. Bless our bishops, priests, and deacons. May we teach each

other how to walk in love. We are your children.

People: Teach us how to serve you, O God.

Leader: Our bodies ache, our spirits are restless, and our minds grow weary

with constant worry. Lead us to a place of wholeness and make each of us agents of hearing in this world. We pray for those who have asked our prayer today, especially for: May, Bonnie, Bob, Leith, Patrick, Ed, Diana, Chris, Marjorie, Louise, Ginger, Gloria, Jamond, Betty, James, Ann, Michael, Tracy, Patricia, Noé, Dal, Jim, Zaida, Tom, Pearl, Jim, Peter, Virginia, Christopher, and Van:

People: Teach us how to trust in your healing embrace.

Leader: When a dear one dies, we ask that you receive them into your

eternal kingdom as promised. We pray today for the repose of the souls recently departed. Assure those who grieve that you will not leave them desolated in their sorrow but hold their loved one close

to your heart. We are your children:

People: Teach us the way home to you.

Leader: May the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts

always be acceptable to you O Lord, our strength and our redeemer.

People: Amen.

Prayers of the People

In Our Prayers: May Breault, Bonnie Christie, Burton Family, Bob DeJong, Leith George, Patrick Hansen, Ed & Diana Hill, Chris Hornyak, Marjorie Jorgensen, Louise Lambden, Ginger Leachman, Gloria MacLeod, Jamond McCoy, Betty McNulty, Millward Family, James Nunn, Ann and Michael Ortt, Tracy Quigley, Patricia and Noé Roman, Dal Rhoads, Jim Schweitzer, Zaida Tolton, Tom Wesley, Pearl Whitehouse, Jim Wiley, Peter & Virginia Wilson, Christopher York, Van Zwick.

The Confession

Priest: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept. The Priest and People say together

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.

Priest: 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.**

Passing of the Peace

Priest: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Then the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord from a safe distance.

Announcements and Blessings

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Anthem Fairest Lord Jesus

Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nations, O thou of God and man the Son Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands, Robed in the blooming garb of spring: Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, Who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight And all the twinkling starry host; Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer Than all the angels heaven can boast.

Beautiful Savior! Lord of all the nations! Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, Now and forevermore be Thine! Amen.

> Text: Munster Gesangbuch, 1677; trans. J. Seiss Music: Derek Hakes, arr. C. Courtney

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Please stand as you are 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 our thanks and praise.

Presider: Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,



Presider: We acclaim you, gracious God, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Holy God, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor, he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose, he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

We now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

People: We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.

descend upon us \$\mathbb{H}\$, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name. Remember your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace. And grant that we may find our inheritance with all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

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

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

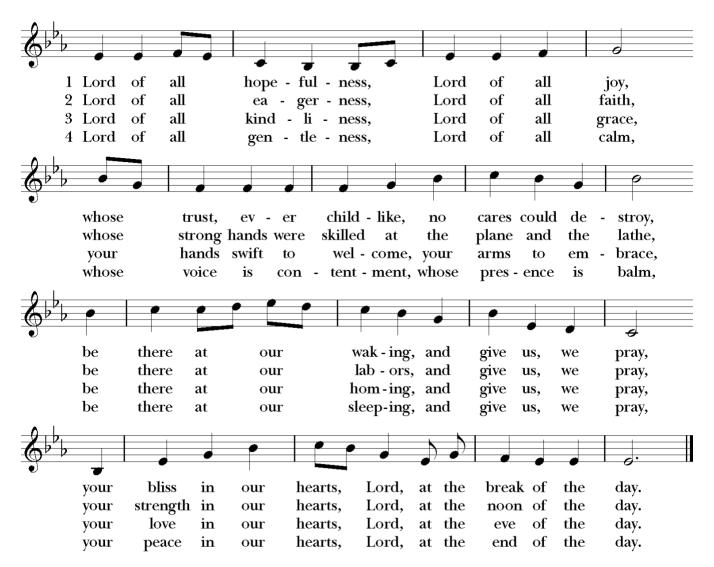
The Presider breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

Presider: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Invitation To Communion

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.



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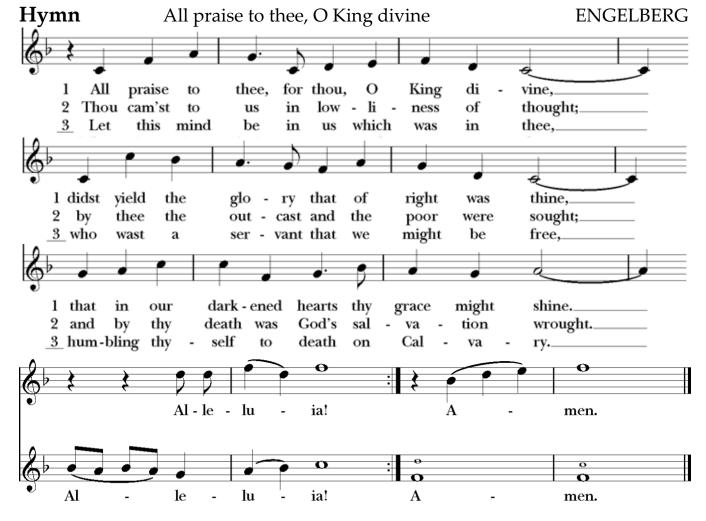
Post Communion Prayer

Please stand as you are able. After Communion, the Presider invites everyone to prayer.

Presider: Let us pray together:

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 Priest blesses the people.



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Dismissal

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Voluntary Pasticcio Jean Langlais

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