

THE FALLS CHURCH  
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*A welcoming community called to be an enduring  
beacon of faith, hope, and love to all.*



The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost  
October 30, 2022

## Prelude

### THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Hymn 379

God is Love, let heaven adore him

*Abbot's Leigh*

## Opening Acclamation

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

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

*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.**

Gloria S-277

Glory to God

David Hurd

(b. 1950)



1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



2. Lord God, hea - ven - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you,



we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,



on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



4. you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us;



5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.



6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*Celebrant*

Almighty and merciful God, it is only by your gift that your faithful people offer you true and laudable service: Grant that we may run without stumbling to obtain your heavenly promises; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Hear the word of the LORD, you rulers of Sodom! Listen to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah! What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the LORD; I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats. When you come to appear before me, who asked this from your hand? Trample my courts no more; bringing offerings is futile; incense is an abomination to me. New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation-- I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity. Your new moons and your appointed festivals my soul hates; they have become a burden to me, I am weary of bearing them. When you stretch out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood. Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow. Come now, let us argue it out, says the LORD: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

*Reader*           The Word of the Lord.

*People*            **Thanks be to God**

**The Psalm**

Psalm 32:1-8

*Beati quorum*

- 1 Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, \*  
and whose sin is put away!
- 2 **Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt, \***  
**and in whose spirit there is no guile!**
- 3 While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, \*  
because of my groaning all day long.
- 4 **For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; \***  
**my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.**
- 5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you, \*  
and did not conceal my guilt.
- 6 **I said, " I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." \***  
**Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.**
- 7 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; \*  
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.
- 8 **You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble; \***  
**you surround me with shouts of deliverance.**

**The Second Lesson** (*11:15 only, seated*)

2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. We must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters, as is right, because your faith is growing abundantly, and the love of everyone of you for one another is increasing. Therefore we ourselves boast of you among the churches of God for your steadfastness and faith during all your persecutions and the afflictions that you are enduring. To this end we always pray for you, asking that our God will make you worthy of his call and will fulfill by his power every good resolve and work of faith, so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

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

*Children are invited to follow the Crucifer into Nicolson Hall for Children's Chapel.*

**Sequence Hymn 516**

Come Down O Love Divine

*Down Ampney*

**The Gospel** (*all standing*)

Luke 19:1-10

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

Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. All who saw it began to grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner." Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much." Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."

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

**The Sermon**

The Rt. Rev'd. V. Gene Robinson

*A period of silence follows the homily.  
Please stand when the Celebrant stands for the 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.  
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 Prayers of the People

*(Common Worship: Times & Seasons)*

*The Leader and People pray responsively while standing.*

### *Celebrant*

United in the company of all the faithful and looking for the coming of the kingdom, let us offer our prayers to God, the source of all life and holiness.

Merciful Lord, strengthen all Christian people by your Holy Spirit, that we may live as a royal priesthood and a holy nation to the praise of Jesus Christ our Saviour. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Anglican Church of Chile; and in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. Aidan's, Alexandria and St. Mary's, Fleeton Parish, Reedville.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Bless Susan our bishop and Mark our Bishop-Elect, and all ministers of your Church, that by faithful proclamation of your word we may be built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets into a holy temple in the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Empower us by the gift of your holy and life-giving Spirit, that we may be transformed into the likeness of Christ from glory to glory.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Give to the world and its peoples the peace that comes from above, that they may find Christ's way of freedom and life.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Hold in your embrace all who witness to your love in the service of the poor and needy; all those who minister to the sick and dying; and all who bring light to those in darkness.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Touch and heal all those whose lives are scarred by sin or disfigured by pain, especially Art, Cindy, Judy, Kendall, Michele, Nan, Paul, and Rob, that, raised from death to life in Christ, their sorrow may be turned to eternal joy.

**Lord, have mercy.**



Remember in your mercy all those gone before us, who have been well-pleasing to you from eternity, especially James, Douglas and Roy; preserve in your faith your servants on earth, guide us to your kingdom, and grant us your peace at all times.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

Hasten the day when many will come from east and west, from north and south, and sit at table in your kingdom.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

*Celebrant*

We give you thanks for the whole company of your saints in glory, with whom in fellowship we join our prayers and praises; by your grace may we, like them, be made perfect in your love.

**Blessing and glory and wisdom, thanksgiving and honour and power, be to our God for ever and ever. Amen.**

## Confession of Sin

(EOW p. 56)

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins to God.

*The people kneel.*

*Celebrant and People*

**God of all mercy,**

**we confess that we have sinned against you,  
opposing your will in our lives.**

**We have denied your 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.**

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

*The people stand.*

## The Peace

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

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

## Welcome and Announcements

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### The Offertory

*During the offertory you are invited to make a gift to God's mission at The Falls Church Episcopal through Realm (see QR code), on the website, by texting TFCE at 73256, or by using the plate.*



### Give Now Online

You may "Give Now" electronically in one of three ways (1) Scanning the QR code with your smartphone; (2) Visiting [onrealm.org/thefallschurch/-/form/give/now](https://onrealm.org/thefallschurch/-/form/give/now) or (3) Texting TFCE to 73256 to give by text message.

Presentation Hymn  
705 v2

As those of old their first fruits brought

*Forest Green*

*A world in need now summons us  
to labor, love, and give,  
to make our life an offering  
to God, that all may live.  
The church of Christ is calling us  
to make the dream come true:  
a world redeemed, by Christ-like love,  
all life in Christ made new.*



Sanctus S-127

Calvin Hampton  
(1938- 1984)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
pow - er and might, hea - ven and earth are full of your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high -  
est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the  
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*Then the Celebrant continues*

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave

it to them, and said: “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

*The Celebrant then continues*

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 Breaking of the Bread

*A period of silence is kept.*

### Fraction Anthem S-155

Gerald R. Near  
(b. 1942)

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is  
sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

### The Invitation to Communion

(Iona Abbey Worship Book, p. 53)

*The Celebrant then continues*

The table of bread and wine is now to be made ready. It is the table of company with Jesus, and all who love him. It is the table of sharing with the poor of the world, with whom Jesus identified himself. It is the table of communion with the earth, in which Christ became incarnate. So come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more; you who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time; you who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who have failed; Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.





## The Blessing

Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage; hold fast that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honour everyone; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn 539

O Zion Haste

*Tidings*

Dismissal

(BCP, p. 366)

*Gospeler*  
*People*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Postlude



The flowers today are given to the glory of God in remembrance  
of Douglas Sheeran by the Usher Team.

and in thanksgiving for Benjamin Kong  
on the occasion of his birthday by Jason Crawford.

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**Celebrant**  
The Rector

**Preacher**  
The Rt. Rev'd. Gene Robinson

**Organist**  
Donna Whited

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**The Parish Prayer List**

*Immediate Needs*

Art, Cindy, Judy, Kendall, Michele, Nan, Paul, Rob

**For Healing in Body, Mind, and Spirit**

*Long Term Prayers*

Charlotte, Howard, Joanna, Kathy, Robert, Tom

*Family and Friends*

Chris, Grace, Jason, Jonathan, Michael, Michael, Tyler

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**For the Repose of the Soul of**

James William Davis  
Douglas Drummond Sheeran  
Roy Frederick Winkworth



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