



Holy Cross Episcopal Church / Oceanside, California

“Coming Out Sunday”

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 23

October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021

9:00 AM

**Welcome to Holy Cross Episcopal Church.** We are happy that you are here to celebrate with us. Wherever you find yourself on your journey of faith, know that you are welcomed here. Holy Cross is a welcoming, inclusive, open and affirming congregation. We are comprised of and reach out to the young and the old, established members and newcomers, those who are married, divorced, partnered or single individuals, widows and widowers, those who identify as straight and those who identify as LGBTQ, the wealthy and those with limited resources, and families and individuals from any ethnic, cultural or faith background. Whatever your faith tradition, please participate in worship as fully as you like. Currently, we are sharing space with Oceanside Sanctuary, at 204 S Freeman Street, Oceanside, CA 92054 and our mailing address is 2647 Gateway Road Suite 105 #290 Carlsbad, Ca 92009 at the Bressi Ranch Postal Annex.

### **Diocesan Statement of Unity**

*As part of the Jesus Movement and the Episcopal Diocese of San Diego, we pledge to love our neighbors and protect the most vulnerable among us, remembering our baptismal vows to “strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being.” We live these pledges out by actively engaging in dismantling racism. For many of us, this will mean learning more about our racial identity, listening to those who have experienced racial prejudice, speaking out against racism, and showing up alongside those in our community working to change unjust systems in our society. We also live out this pledge at worship during this pandemic, by wearing face-coverings, respecting distancing guidelines, and foregoing the common cup.*

## The Liturgy of the Word

*Responses and unison parts are indicated in **bold**.*

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**Processional Hymn – “Simple Gifts” Traditional Shaker Hymn,  
Arr. Julie A. Lind**

'Tis the gift to be simple, 'tis the gift to be free,  
'Tis the gift to come down where we ought to be,  
And when we find ourselves in the place just right,

'Twill be in the valley of love and delight.  
When true simplicity is gain'd,  
To bow and to bend we will not be asham'd,  
To turn, turn will be our delight,  
Till by turning, turning we come round right.

## **Opening Acclamation**

*Presider* Blessed be God, who loves all creation!  
*People* **God's love has no exceptions, Alleluia!**

## **A Song of Praise – to be prayed in unison**

We are the body of Christ! Justice seeking, bread breaking, hymn singing, risk taking

### **Body of Christ!**

Baptized by one Spirit, we are members of one body

**Many and varied in culture, sexuality, age, class and ability, we are members of Christ's beautiful body.**

None of us can say to another, "I have no need of you."

**For only together can we find wholeness.**

None of us can say to another, "I will not care for you."

**For we are connected like muscle and bone. If one suffers, we all suffer. If one rejoices, we all rejoice!**

Come in, all are welcome, come into worship! Come with your longings, your questions, and your fears. All: Come with your dreams of a better day, one with dignity and safety for all!

Thanks be to God who in Christ has made us one!

**Let us worship God! Alleluia!**

## **The Collect of the Day**

*Presider* God be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Presider* Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **The Lessons**

### **The First Reading**

**Job 23:1-9, 16-17**

A Reading from the book of Job.

"Today also my complaint is bitter;  
his hand is heavy despite my groaning.  
Oh, that I knew where I might find him,  
that I might come even to his dwelling!  
I would lay my case before him,  
and fill my mouth with arguments.  
I would learn what he would answer me,  
and understand what he would say to me.  
Would he contend with me in the greatness of his power?  
No; but he would give heed to me.  
There an upright person could reason with him,  
and I should be acquitted forever by my judge.  
"If I go forward, he is not there;  
or backward, I cannot perceive him;  
on the left he hides, and I cannot behold him;  
I turn to the right, but I cannot see him.  
God has made my heart faint;  
the Almighty has terrified me;  
If only I could vanish in darkness,  
and thick darkness would cover my face!"  
Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 22:1-15** *Deus, Deus meus* – to be said responsively by half-verse

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? \*  
**and are so far from my cry  
and from the words of my distress?**

O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you do not answer; \*  
**by night as well, but I find no rest.**

Yet you are the Holy One, \*  
**enthroned upon the praises of Israel.**

Our forefathers put their trust in you; \*  
**they trusted, and you delivered them.**

They cried out to you and were delivered; \*  
**they trusted in you and were not put to shame.**

But as for me, I am a worm and no man, \*  
**scorned by all and despised by the people.**

All who see me laugh me to scorn; \*  
**they curl their lips and wag their heads, saying,**  
"He trusted in the Lord; let him deliver him; \*  
**let him rescue him, if he delights in him."**  
Yet you are he who took me out of the womb, \*  
**and kept me safe upon my mother's breast.**  
I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born; \*  
**you were my God when I was still in my mother's womb.**  
Be not far from me, for trouble is near, \*  
**and there is none to help.**  
Many young bulls encircle me; \*  
**strong bulls of Bashan surround me.**  
They open wide their jaws at me, \*  
**like a ravening and a roaring lion.**  
I am poured out like water;  
all my bones are out of joint; \*  
**my heart within my breast is melting wax.**  
My mouth is dried out like a pot-sherd;  
my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth; \*  
**and you have laid me in the dust of the grave.**

## **The Second Reading**

**Hebrews 4:12-16**

A Reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **The Gospel**

**Mark 10:17-31**

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**Sermon – Rev. Richard Hogue Jr.**

**The Nicene Creed – to be said in unison**

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**

Let us pray.

Holy One, we believe that your love will find a way to heal our wounded world,  
and that suffering and poverty will end. For we believe in your persistent love.

**God help us be your love in the world. Send us to those who suffer.**

We believe that you have made us who we are, in your image, a beautiful  
community of race and culture and sexual identity. You declared us 'good'. We  
celebrate this diversity, for we believe in your creative imagination.

**God help us make it safe for all to live with integrity, for barriers to tumble  
down, and for all to live in peace. Send us out to change the world.**

We believe we are all members of one body. We share a heart with those who  
suffer violence, who live in fear, who are cast out because of their sexuality or any  
other reason. We ache with them, for we believe that you love without exception.

**God help us reach out in love. Send us into the world proclaiming the Good  
News of the Gospel.**

We believe that we are not yet perfected. We fear. We judge. We cause harm by  
our action and our inaction. But we still turn to you for help, for we believe in your  
forgiveness.

**God help us to receive your forgiveness. Send us into the world to forgive.**

We believe that the liberation of those in captivity did not end with Moses leading slaves out of Egypt, it did not end with Jesus' death and resurrection, but even today you are still pulling humanity out of darkness into the light. For we believe in the Reign of God on earth.

**God give us courage and stamina. Send us into the world to lead.**

We believe it is not too late for those filled with hate to learn to live in love. For we believe in your heart-transforming power.

**God help us love even those who hate. Send us out with love for all.**

We believe that our prayers do matter, and so we offer them now for the people and places that long for relief from suffering. (pause for people to add their own intercessions, silently or aloud). For we believe in the power of prayer.

**God remind us that we are not alone. Send us into the world to be a soft landing place for all who suffer.**

We believe in gratitude. We offer thanks to those brave souls who risk much for others. We offer thanks for all the moments of grace that sustain us, which we name now, silently or aloud. (pause while people add their own intercessions) For we believe that your love and grace surround us on every side.

**God give us eyes to see your goodness in the world around us. Send us into the world in gratitude.**

We believe that church is an imperfect but well-intentioned collection of souls. Even though we often fail to understand your Gospel, even though we often lack the courage to take risks for justice, even though we have not always welcomed your beloved outcasts, still we see that you have not abandoned us. For we believe that you still hope in us.

**God help us to be a better community. Send us into the world as the life-changing, liberating church you imagine. All this we ask in the name of your Holy Trinity. Amen.**

Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## **The Peace**

The peace of Christ be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

## **Announcements**

## The Liturgy of the Table

# The Holy Communion

## Offertory Sentence

*Presider* Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

## Virtual Offertory



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### SERVICE

Sunday morning, place your pledge/donation in the offering plate located just inside the entry to the sanctuary.

## Offertory Hymn – “Sanctuary” by Randy Scruggs & John Thompson

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary  
Pure and holy, tried and true  
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living  
Sanctuary for You

It is you, Lord  
Who came to save  
The heart and soul  
Of everyone  
It is you Lord  
Who knows my weakness  
Who gives me strength,  
With your own hand.

Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary  
Pure and Holy, tried and true  
With thanksgiving I'll be a living  
Sanctuary for you

Lead Me on Lord  
From temptation  
Purify me  
From within  
Fill my heart with  
Your holy spirit  
Take away all my sin

Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary  
Pure and holy, tried and true  
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living  
Sanctuary for You

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

*Presider* God 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.**

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God,  
source of life abundant.

From before time you made ready the creation.

Your Spirit moved over the deep  
and brought all things into being:

sun, moon, and stars;

earth, winds, and waters;

and every living thing.

You made us in your image,

and taught us to walk in your ways.

But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away;

and yet, as a mother cares for her children,

you would not forget us.

Time and again you called us

to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels

in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity,

lifting our voices to magnify you as we say:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,**

**heaven and earth are full of your glory.**  
**Hosanna in the highest.**  
**Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.**  
**Hosanna in the highest.**

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.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Presider is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.*

On the night before he died for us,  
Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread,  
and when he had given thanks to you,  
he broke it, and gave it to his friends, 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,  
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 poured out 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:

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

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.**

*Presider* And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

*Consecrated bread and wine are displayed.*

## **The Breaking of the Bread**

*The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then may be sung or said*

*Presider* We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.  
*People* **We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one  
bread.**

*Facing the people, the Presider says the following Invitation*

*Presider*        The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*The ministers receive the Sacrament, and then immediately deliver it to the people.*

### **Communion hymn – “I am free” by Joey Pearson**

Coming into this sanctuary,  
Is harder than you’ll ever know.  
The things I’ve born that nobody should bear  
But I stand here, in spite of my fear.

Opening up to a god I don’t know  
A spirit I don’t understand  
Building faith where it was stripped away  
I can do it, in my own way.

*Chorus*

I am free  
From religiosity.  
I am free  
In part for our diversity  
Love has made a home in me  
So I can finally say  
Yes  
I found liberty.

Deep within me a hungering lies  
The impetus for which I come  
Oh god I need all the love you can spare  
So I stand here, in spite of my fear.

Reaching out to the hem of your robe  
That you might fill this temple full  
Of loves acceptance so that I can say  
I can do it, in my own way.

*Chorus*

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Love has made a home in me  
So I can finally say  
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### **The Postcommunion Prayer – to be prayed in unison**

*Presider*        Let us pray

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.

## **Blessing**

*Presider*        The Wisdom of God, the Love of God, and the Grace of God  
strengthen you to be Christ's hands and heart in this world, in the  
name of the Holy Trinity. **Amen.**

## **Recessional Hymn – Go Now in Peace**

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Go now in peace, never be afraid  
God will go with you each hour of every day  
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true  
Know He will guide you in all you do  
Go now in love and show you believe  
Reach out to others so all the world can see  
God will be there watching from above  
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love  
A - men. A-men. A - men.

## **The Dismissal**

*Presider*        Let us bless the Lord.  
*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

*Thank you to all for your service.  
May you know the love of God and be filled with new life.*

### **A Prayer for Peace**

*Eternal God, in whose perfect kingdom no sword is drawn but the sword of righteousness, no strength known but the strength of love: So mightily spread abroad your Spirit, that all peoples may be gathered under the banner of the Prince of Peace, as children of one Father; to whom be dominion and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.***

### **A Prayer for the Human Family**

*O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.***

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