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Sunday Worship: 10:00AM
Office Hours: 8:15am until 3:00pm Monday- Thursday.

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# The Holy Eucharist

Chiming of the Hour

**Announcements** 

The Prelude My faith has found a resting place

Norwegian Folk Melody

The Gathering Hymn All creatures of our God and King

Hymn 400 v. 1,2,7

#### THE WORD OF GOD

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins

People: His mercy endures forever.

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 Gloria S 280

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## The Collect of the Day

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amem.

The First Lesson: Acts 16:9-15

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them. We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

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

The Response: Psalm 67

- 1 May God be merciful to us and bless us, \* show us the light of his countenance and come to us.
- 2 Let your ways be known upon earth, \* your saving health among all nations.
- 3 Let the peoples praise you, O God; \* let all the peoples praise you.

- 4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, \* for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations upon earth.
- 5 Let the peoples praise you, O God; \* let all the peoples praise you.
- 6 The earth has brought forth her increase; \* may God, our own God, give us his blessing.
- 7 May God give us his blessing, \* and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

Glory be to the Father, to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen!

The Epistle: Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

In the spirit the angel carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day-- and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

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The Sequence Hymn All things bright and beautiful

Hymn 405 v. 1-2

The Gospel: John 14:23-29

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: Glory to you Lord Christ

Jesus said to Judas (not Iscariot), "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

"I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, `I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ

The Homily

The Nicene Creed BCP page 358

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

Intercessor Jesus came into the world to give us peace. Let us offer prayers to God for the needs of the world, saying: Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.

For the Church, especially for Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Kevin, our bishop, and Liz, our Priest, that we may always be attentive to the creative work of the Spirit, and open our hearts and lives, to make a dwelling place for God. *Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.* 

For this parish family, and those of Christ Church and St Marks, that we may know that peace which passes all understanding and find strength to meet the many challenges that arise in daily life. *Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.* 

For peace in all places of conflict, especially Ukraine, and for all those who live with fear and danger, that God will give them the strength they need as they face this time of trial. *Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.* 

For the people of Buffalo, in their pain and grief, that they may not be overwhelmed by this tragedy and manifestation of evil but hold fast to the good and walk in the Way of Love. *Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.* 

For those whose hearts are troubled and fearful, particularly refugees, the homeless, the homebound, and those for whom we ought to pray, . . . . . . , that God's presence will be real for them, and fill them with peace. A *Ileluia! Lord, hear our prayer.* 

For those suffering from addiction and for those who love and support them, that we share God's healing love through our unity in witness and action. *Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.* 

For those who have died, remembering especially, . . . . . . . , that they may rejoice in that holy city whose light is God's glory, and whose lamp is the Lamb. *Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer*.

Lifting our voices with all creation, with Mary, the God-bearer, and all the saints, who have borne witness to the Risen Christ, let us offer ourselves, and one another, to the living God, through Christ. *Alleluia! To you, O Lord, we give praise and glory.* 

*Celebrant* Blessed are you, God of heaven and earth, who gives us the water of life. Hear our prayers for all people, and send your Holy Spirit into our lives, that we may live in your love, and dwell in your peace, until all the ends of the earth stand in awe of you, for ever and ever. *Amen.* 

#### The Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

#### **HOLY COMMUNION**

The Officiant may begin the Offertory with one of the sentences on page 376, or with some other sentence of Scripture.

The Offertory Christ is made the sure foundation

Hymn 518 v. 1-3

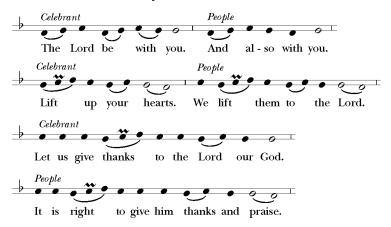
The Doxology: Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Hymn 380, v. 3

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

## The Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP page 361



The Sanctus S124

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

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 Breaking of the Bread

The Fraction Anthem S161

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

The Communion

All Baptized Christians are invited to the Lord's Table to receive the Sacrament.

The Post Communion Prayer

BCP page 365

## Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

The Parting Hymn Theres a sweet, sweet Spirit LEVAS 120

The Dismissal

The Postlude Let all things now living Welch Melody

# **Our Ministers Today:**

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Elizabeth Grohowski

Organist: Joyce Printz

Altar Guild: Mary and Ben Zalewski Announcements: Lynne Graham Camera & Broadcast: Andrew Wurth

Acolyte: Benjamin Zalewski or Sean Eckert

Lector: John Warriner

