



Seeking to love with the heart of Christ, think with the mind of Christ, and act in the world as the Body of Christ

Holy Eucharist
The Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost
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The Word of God

GATHERING HYMN *Sanctuary*

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$\text{♩} = 46$

D/A Em/A D A G Em⁷

Lord, pre - pare me to be a sanc - tu - ar - y, — pure and ho - ly, tried and

4 D A F#m/A Em/A D

true; — With thanks - giv - ing, I'll be a

6 A G Em⁷ F#m/A A⁷ D

liv - ing — sanc - tu - ar - y for — You.

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OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his 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.**

Celebrant Lord, have mercy.
People **Christ, have mercy.**
Celebrant Lord, have mercy

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

The people sit.

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 34:1-12

A Reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

¹Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the LORD showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, ²all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, ³the Negeb, and the Plain—that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees—as far as Zoar. ⁴The LORD said to him, “This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, ‘I will give it to your descendants’; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there.” ⁵Then Moses, the servant of the LORD, died there in the land of Moab, at the LORD’s command. ⁶He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. ⁷Moses was one hundred twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigor had not abated. ⁸The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended.

⁹Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the LORD had commanded Moses.

¹⁰Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face.

¹¹He was unequalled for all the signs and wonders that the LORD sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, ¹²and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

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

PSALM: Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17

¹LORD, you have been our refuge *

from one generation to another.

²**Before the mountains were brought forth,
or the land and the earth were born, ***

from age to age you are God.

³**You turn us back to the dust and say, ***

“Go back, O child of earth.”

⁴**For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past *
and like a watch in the night.**

⁵**You sweep us away like a dream; ***

we fade away suddenly like the grass.

⁶In the morning it is green and flourishes; *
in the evening it is dried up and withered.

¹³Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry? *
be gracious to your servants.

¹⁴Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; *
so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

¹⁵Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us *
and the years in which we suffered adversity.

¹⁶Show your servants your works *
and your splendor to their children.

¹⁷May the graciousness of the LORD our God be upon us; *
prosper the work of our hands;
prosper our handiwork.

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-3,8-10; 2:1-8

A Reading from Paul's First letter to the Church in Thessalonika.

¹Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace.

²We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly ³remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁸For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. ⁹For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, ¹⁰and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead — Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

¹You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, ²but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. ³For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, ⁴but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. ⁵As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; ⁶nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, ⁷though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. ⁸So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN *Father All Loving* (568)

All stand.

1 Fa - ther all lov - ing, who rul - est in ma - jes - ty,
2 Bless - ed Lord Je - sus, who cam - est in pov - er - ty,
3 Come, Ho - ly Spi - rit, cre - ate in us ho - li - ness,
4 Ho - li - est Trin - i - ty, per - fect in u - ni - ty,

judg - ment is thine, and con - demn - eth our pride;
shar - ing a sta - ble with beasts at thy birth,
lift up our lives to thy stand - ard of right;
bind in thy love ev - ery na - tion and race;

stir up our lead - ers and peo - ples to pen - i - tence,
stir us to work for thy jus - tice and char - i - ty,
stir ev - ery will to new ven - tures of faith - ful - ness,
may we a - dore thee for time and e - ter - ni - ty,

sor - row for sins that for ven - geance have cried.
tru - ly to care for the poor of the earth.
flood the whole Church with thy glo - ri - ous light.
Fa - ther, Re - deem - er, and Spi - rit of grace.

GOSPEL: Matthew 22:34-46

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

³⁴When the Pharisees heard that [Jesus] had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, ³⁵and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. ³⁶“Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?” ³⁷He said to him, “ “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ ³⁸This is the greatest and first commandment. ³⁹And a second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ ⁴⁰On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.”

⁴¹Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: ⁴²“What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?” They said to him, “The son of David.” ⁴³He said to them, “How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,

⁴⁴“The Lord said to my Lord,

“Sit at my right hand,

until I put your enemies under your feet”?”

⁴⁵If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?” ⁴⁶No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

Mtr. Suz Cate

THE NICENE CREED

All stand.

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

In the company of blessed Mary the Mother of God and all the saints, let us pray to the Lord.

For the holy Church of God:

For Andrew, the bishop of Upper South Carolina

For the Diocese of Haiti, especially for our brothers and sisters in Cange and Bois Joli

That the Body of Christ throughout the world may love the Lord our God with all its heart and soul and mind and may exemplify the love of God in all areas of its life.

We pray to you, O Christ:

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the peace of the world:

Especially for those who suffer from wildfires, hurricanes, and floods

That the leaders of the nations may care for aliens and immigrants, the indigent and the oppressed, all victims of economic exploitation.

We pray to you, O Christ:

Lord, hear our prayer.

For our nation:

For those who devote their labor to promoting justice and peace

For the President, the Congress, and the courts

That they may be honest and vigilant in their duties and that their hearts may be converted toward working for justice and the common good.

We pray to you, O Christ:

Lord, hear our prayer.

For our communities, that all may see and know the light of Christ through the example of our lives as we devote ourselves to love of God and love of neighbor.

We pray to you, O Christ:

Lord, hear our prayer.

For this parish:

For our clergy and the vestry

For those who celebrate birthdays this week, especially Jan Cribb, Faye Johnson, Jere duBois, Mary Beth Johnstone, Celia Jane Robb, Robert Burington and Molly Tindal.

That the word of the Lord may sound forth from among us and that we may be an effective example in the faith and joy of the Holy Spirit.

We pray to you, O Christ:

Lord, hear our prayer.

For those in any kind of need or trouble, especially remembering:

All students, faculty and staff of schools and universities.

For health care workers and all first responders.

For hospice care workers.

Those who seek gainful employment

Those beloved of this parish, especially Dot and Bill, Violet, Jude, Roy and Charlotte, John Gautsch, Frieda Wald, Luther and Dorothy, Michele Stefanyak, Beverly, Ahlam and her family, Melanie, George, Clifford and Kim.

We pray to you, O Christ:

Lord, hear our prayer.

We give you thanks, O God, for all the blessings of this life, especially for thanksgivings for all who are recovering and have recovered from COVID-19.

We pray to you, O Christ:

Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for all who have died, that the Lord who has broken the power of death may bring all the faithful departed, especially Norma, Ava and Christopher Jeffries to the feast of life.

We pray to you, O Christ:

Lord, hear our prayer.

The Officiant concludes with this prayer:

Almighty God, whose loving hand has given us all that we possess: Open our hearts to the movement of your Holy Spirit as we discern how to use these gifts to honor your Name, build up your Church, and serve the world, that on the last day we may be found as faithful stewards of your bounty; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

People **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.**

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

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Holy Communion

The people remain standing as the Deacon prepares the altar.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant give thanks to God the Father and concludes

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:

**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 Celebrant continues, praising God for the salvation of the world through Jesus Christ and recalling the events of the Last Supper.

Celebrant Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People **Christ has died.**

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant then invokes the Holy Spirit over the bread and wine and the assembly, praying that all may receive the benefits of Christ's work and the renewal of the Holy Spirit, concluding

Celebrant ...by him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

People **AMEN.**

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

People **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,
 forever and ever. Amen.

The consecrated Bread is broken and a period of silence follows.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All baptized Christians are invited to receive communion. Please remain in your area and communion will be brought to you. If you are not baptized or do not wish to receive, cross your arms over your chest. If you wish to be baptized, please speak with one of the clergy after the service or contact the parish office.

For reasons of public health, we are distributing the Bread only; the Church teaches that the fullness of Christ's Body, Blood, Divinity, and Soul are fully present in either the Bread or the Wine alone. To receive the Bread, extend your arms fully with cupped hands and the priest will drop a wafer into your palm. Allow the priest to move to the next area before consuming. Replace your mask immediately.

COMMUNION HYMN *Strengthen for service, Lord (H 321)*



1 Strength - en for ser - vice, Lord, the hands that ho - ly
 2 Lord, may the tongues which "Ho - ly" sang, keep free from
 3 The feet that tread thy hal - lowed courts from light do



things have tak - en; let cars that now have
 all de - ceiv - ing; the eyes which saw thy
 thou not ban - ish; the bo - dies by thy



heard thy songs to clam - or nev - er wak - en.
 love be bright, thy bless - ed hope per - ceiv - ing.
 Bo - dy fed with thy new life re - ple - nish.

Celebrant

Let us pray.

People

**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 Priest blesses the people.

Deacon

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People

Thanks be to God.

The service concludes with the hymn on the next page.

CLOSING HYMN *Jesu, Jesu* (Levas74)

Je - su, Je - su, fill us with your love, show

us how to serve the neigh - bors we have from you. **Fine**

1. Kneels at the feet of his friends, si - lent - ly wash - es their
 2. Neigh - bors are rich and poor, neigh - bors are black and
 3. These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should
 4. Lov - ing puts us on our knees, serv - ing as though we are
 5. Kneel at the feet of our friends, si - lent - ly wash - ing their

1. feet, Mas - ter who acts as a slave to them.
 2. white, neigh - bors are near and far a - way.
 3. love; all these are neigh - bors to us and you.
 4. slaves, this is the way we should live with you.
 5. feet, this is the way we should live with you. **D.C.**

Refer to your latest HT Notes for announcements and information.

Please be mindful of the need to maintain safe distancing as we leave our worship space today.

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Sunday Worship

10:30 a.m. online service on Facebook and YouTube
2:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist at Trinity Place (weather permitting)

Every Night

8:30 p.m. Compline on Facebook Live

Tuesday

11 a.m. Online Bible Study via Zoom
Please contact the parish office for login information