HOLY EUCHARIST

Sunday, September 6, 2020 at 9:00 AM

Week 17 of Ordinary Time

Livestreamed worship available at <u>facebook.com/stpaulsnorwalk/videos</u>.

The Gathering Rite

Gathering Music Even Song by Kate Boundy (c. 1866-1913)

The Opening Acclamation and Welcome

The people respond as the Celebrant says

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God. Glory to God for ever and ever.

The Celebrant welcomes the people, then all sing together the Song of Praise.

Song of Praise



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The Collect of the Day

The people respond as the Celebrant sings or says

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us pray.

Confirm, O God, in unity and truth the church you gather in Christ. Encourage the fervent, enlighten the doubtful, and bring back the wayward. Bind us together in mutual love, that our prayer in Christ's name may be pleasing to you. Grant this through Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. **Amen**.

The Liturgy of the Word

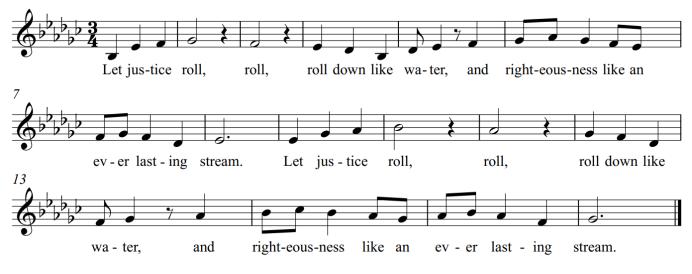
The Epistle Romans 13:8-14

The lector reads

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

The Response



words: Amos 5:12 music: 2017 by Emily Scott

The Gospel Matthew 18:15-20

The Celebrant or Deacon introduces and reads the Gospel.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O Christ.**

Jesus said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

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

The Sermon The Rev. Louise Kalemkerian, Associate Priest

A period of reflection follows the sermon.

The Creed

You, O God, are supreme and holy. You create our world and give us life. Your purpose overarches everything we do. You have always been with us. You are God.

You, O God, are infinitely generous, good beyond measure. You came to us before we came to you. You have revealed and proved your love to us in Jesus Christ, who lived and died and rose again. You are with us now. You are God.

You, O God, are Holy Spirit. You empower us to be your gospel in the world. You reconcile and heal; you overcome death.

You are our God. We worship you.

The Prayers of the People

During the periods of silence, the people may offer their own petitions, either silently or aloud. The intercessor says

We pray for peace in the world and for peace in our own land. For what other places of the world shall we pray?

Gracious God, hear our prayer.

We pray for our leaders in the church and in the world, and for all those who serve the common good, including these we now name.

Gracious God, hear our prayer.

We pray for our enemies: for those who have wronged us and for those we have wronged, particularly for God's reconciliation in what we now name.

Gracious God, hear our prayer.

We pray for those who are sick, hungry, or facing any challenge, including these we now name. Gracious God, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all who have died and for those who mourn them, particularly these we now name. Gracious God, **hear our prayer.**

We give thanks for the blessings of this life and for God's gifts to us. For what else shall we thank God? Gracious God, **hear our prayer.**

Announcements

The Anthem sung by the St. Paul's choir

Eternal Light, shine into our hearts, Eternal Goodness, deliver us from evil, Eternal Power, be our support, Eternal Wisdom, scatter the darkness of our ignorance, Eternal Pity, have mercy upon us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

> words: Alcuin (735-804) music: Leo Sowerby (1895-1968)

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

The Great Thanksgiving

-<u>Enriching Our Worship</u>, adapted: Daniel Simons

The people respond as the Celebrant sings

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is indeed good, always and everywhere, to give thanks to you, O God, through Jesus Christ, your beloved.

You are the source and life of all creation and you have made us in your own image. In the fullness of time your Word became incarnate among us as Jesus walked with us, proclaiming the good news to all who would hear.

Loving us to the very end, Jesus suffered the death of the cross. Yet you raised him in glory, and you raise us with him. Therefore we proclaim your glory as we sing:

. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho the high - est. high - est. san - na in Ho san - na \mathbf{in} the oBlessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - \overline{n} san - na in the high-est. high-est. Ho - san-na in the

Sanctus and Benedictus

setting: A Community Mass, Richard Proulx (1937-2010) © 1971, 1977 GIA Publications, Inc. OneLicense.net License #A-709109 To you indeed be glory, loving God.

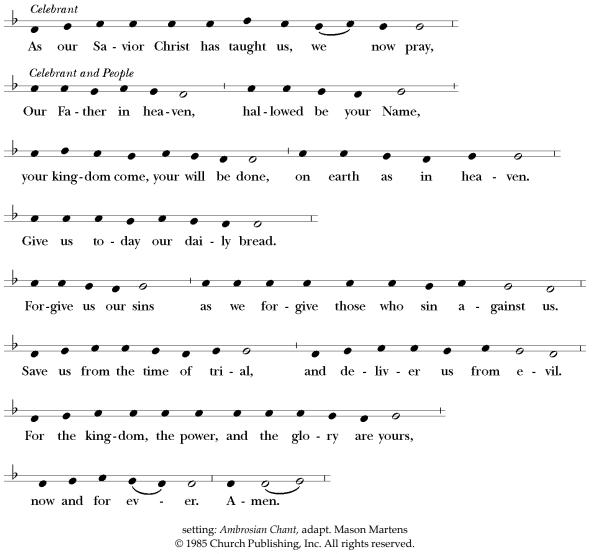
Your beloved son, Jesus, on the night before he died, took bread; when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said: Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this to remember me.

After supper Jesus took the cup; when he had given you thanks, he gave it to them and said: Drink this, all of you; this cup is the new covenant in my blood poured out for the life of the world; do this as often as you drink it to remember me.

Therefore, loving God, as we celebrate Christ's dying and rising, send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, and upon us now, that we may be fed with your Presence and filled with your life-giving goodness. Strengthen us to do your work, and to be Christ's body in the world.

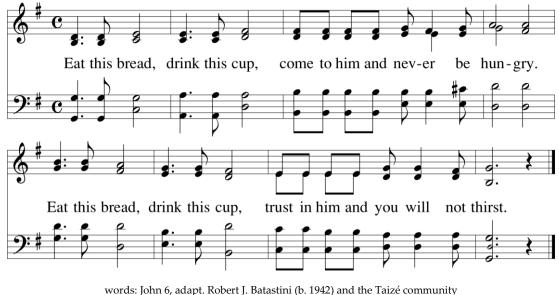
United as one in the love of the Holy Trinity, we offer to you, O God, our everlasting praise. Blessing, honor and glory be yours, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer



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The Fraction Anthem



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The Communion

The people say

O God, we are united here as one, in your transcendent power of love.

From this center of goodness You appear to us now in a new way,

a new light, a new understanding,

a new power of friendship and unity.

We receive this life from you; we share this life together.

You appear in our midst as Life itself, and we rise up together, beyond the resistant forces around us and within us.

We are the body of Christ.

-Sr. Ilia Delio, adapted: Daniel Simons

The Sending Rite

The Blessing and Dismissal

The Celebrant blesses the People

Live without fear: your Creator has made you holy, has always protected you, and loves you as a mother. Go in peace to follow the good road, and may God's blessing be with you always. **Amen.**

-St. Claire of Assisi

Postlude *Rigaudon* by Elizabeth Jacquet de la Guerre (1665-1729)

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