THE HOLY EUCHARIST

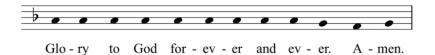
November 14, 2021 at 11am | Ordinary Time, Proper 28

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PRELUDE Adoration - Florence Price

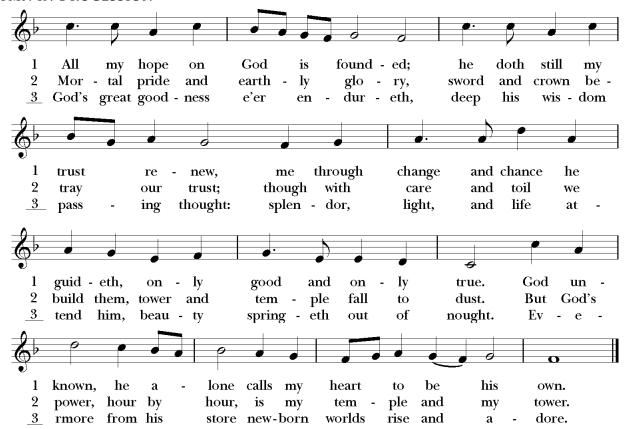
OPENING ACCLAMATION Please stand as the bell sounds. The Celebrant intones:

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.





HYMN IN PROCESSION



Words: Robert Seymour Bridges (1844-1930), alt.; after Joachim Neander (1650-1680) *Michael*, Herbert Howells (1892-1983) OneLicense.net License #A-709109 The People's responses are in bold.

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 IN EXCELSIS



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Your creation, O God, runs its appointed course, as from the ends of the earth you gather a people you call your own. Confirm in us the strength of your abiding word. Steady our hearts in the time of trial so that on the day of the Son of Man we may without fear rejoice to behold his appearing. We make our prayer through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSON Daniel 12:1-3

The Lord spoke to Daniel in a vision and said, "At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the people.

Thanks be to God.

Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; * I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord, my good above all other." All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, * upon those who are noble among the people. But those who run after other gods * shall have their troubles multiplied. Their libations of blood I will not offer, * nor take the names of their gods upon my lips. O Lord, you are my portion and my cup; * it is you who uphold my lot. My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; * indeed, I have a goodly heritage. I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; * my heart teaches me, night after night. I have set the Lord always before me; * because he is at my right hand I shall not fall. My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; * my body also shall rest in hope.

Richard Pinwill Coleman

THE EPISTLE *Hebrews* 10:11-14, 19-25

Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "he sat down at the right hand of God," and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet." For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the people. **Thanks be to God.**



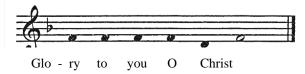
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THE GOSPEL Mark 13:1-8

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



As Jesus came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down." When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birthpangs."

The Gospel of the Lord.



THE SERMON

The Rev. Louise Kalemkerian

A period of silent reflection follows the sermon.

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, She* is worshipped and glorified. She 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.

*Holy Spirit in biblical languages is a feminine-gendered word, and we use the feminine pronoun here to highlight that aspect of God's fullness.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray now to God, who hears our prayers even before we ask.

Holy One, inspire and lead those who hold authority in the nations of the world. Guide us and all people in the way of justice and peace.

Strengthen all who minister in Christ's name.

That the life of Christ may be revealed in us.

Have compassion on those who suffer from sickness, grief, or trouble.

In your presence may they find strength.

Look with your kindness on our homes and families.

Grant that your love may grow in our hearts.

Make us alive to the needs of our community.

Help us to share one another's joys and burdens.

We remember those who have died, especially those we now name...

Particular names may be offered aloud or in silence.

We praise you for all your saints who have entered your eternal glory.

May we also come to share your heavenly kingdom.

We pray for the needs and thanksgivings of those gathered here.

Particular intercessions and thanksgivings may be offered aloud or in silence.

Hear us, O God

For we put our trust in you

The Celebrant prays a concluding collect.

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Please share the peace with a distanced gesture to those nearby.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GIVING TO ST. PAUL'S

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ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness, make thy way plain before my face.

For it is thou, Lord, only that makest me dwell in safety.

Lead me, Lord, lead me in true holiness,
teach me to love and trust in thee.

Thou art our God, the God of our salvation, all nations shall praise thy holy name.

words: Psalm 5:8 music: Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876)



- 1 We the Lord's peo ple, heart and voice u nit ing, praise him who 2 This is the Lord's house, home of all his peo ple, school for the 3 This is the Lord's day, day of God's own mak ing, day of cre-
- 3 This is the Lord's day, day of God's own mak ing, day of cre-4 In the Lord's ser - vice bread and wine are of - fered, that Christ may



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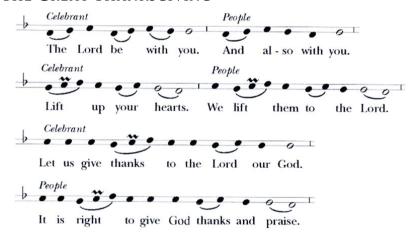
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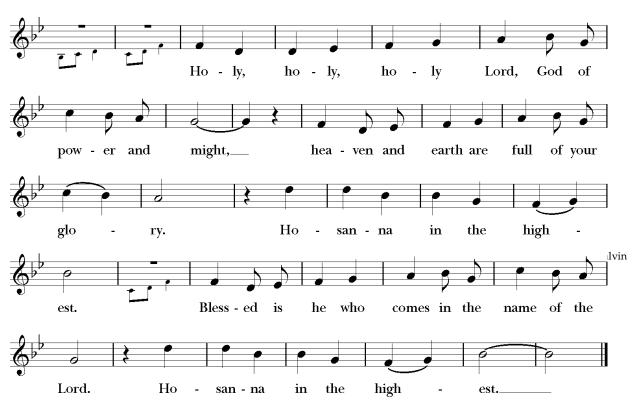
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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world, You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wonderous are you. Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; and so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:



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The Celebrant continues

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all. Your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise.

Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the New Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Dying, you destroyed our death.

Rising, you restored our life.

Christ Jesus, come in glory!

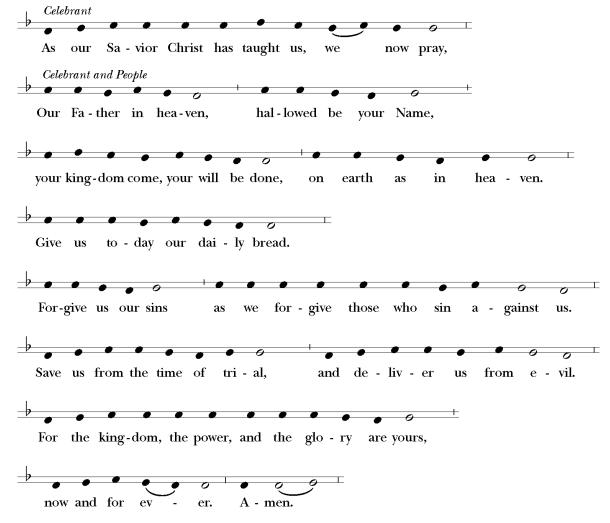
Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice, and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and creator in voices of unending praise. Blessed are you, now and forever.



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THE LORD'S PRAYER



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The Celebrant breaks the bread and invites the People to communion, saying

God of promise, you have prepared a banquet for us.

Happy are those who are called to the Supper of the Lamb.



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THE COMMUNION

Everyone is welcome to receive the bread and wine of Communion at St. Paul's. Please follow the direction of the ushers. Healing prayer is available in the side aisles for those wishing to pray with someone for any need in their lives.

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Life is short, and we do not have too much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us. So be swift to love, and make haste to be kind; and the blessing of God almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

HYMN IN PROCESSION



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THE DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ to love and to serve.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Fantasia in G Minor - J.S. Bach

THE WORSHIP IS OVER. THE SERVICE BEGINS.

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