HOLY EUCHARIST

Proper 8 in Ordinary Time

ST. PAUL'S ON THE GREEN | JULY 2, 2023 - 9:00AM & II:00AM

Prelude

Chorale - Fanny Mendelssohn Hensel (1805-1847)

Please stand as the bell sounds.



HYMN IN PROCESSION



Words:Charles Wesley (1707-1788)Music:Hyfrydol, Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887)

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

The Celebrant intones

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

The People respond



Glory to God fore-ver and ev-er.

SONG OF PRAISE



Words: Delores Dufner (b. 1939)
Music: Salzburg, melody Jacob Hintze (1622-1702); harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant intones

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us pray.

O God of power and might, your incarnate word commands our obedience and offers us true life. Make our ears attentive to the voice of your Son, and our hearts generous in answering his call, that we may take up the cross with trust in his promises. We ask this 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 seated

Jeremiah 28:5-9

The prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the Lord; and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the Lord do so; may the Lord fulfill the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the Lord, and all the exiles. But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the Lord has truly sent the prophet."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the People. Thanks be to God.



The Refrain is sung once by the Cantor, then repeated by all

The Cantor sings alone:

Speak, O God, your servant is listening; you have the words of eternal life.

All repeat Refrain

Setting: Will Doreza

THE GOSPEL The Deacon or Priest intones

Matthew 10:40-42

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

Jesus said, "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple-- truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Sermon

The Rev. Daniel Simons

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.

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

Please add your particular intercessions and thanksgivings aloud or in silence.

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

Please add particular names aloud or in silence.

Hear us, O God, For we put our trust in you.

The Celebrant prays a concluding collect, or the following

Lord God Almighty, you have made all the peoples of the earth for your glory, to serve you in freedom and in peace: Give to the people of our country a zeal for justice and the strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you. And also with you.

Please share a sign of peace with those around you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS seated

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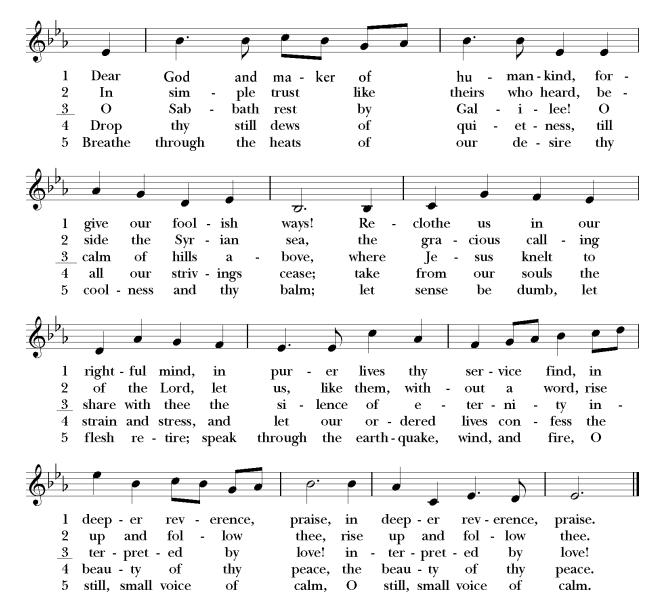
MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY sung by the Cantor at 11:00am

If with all your hearts ye truly seek me from *Elijah*, op. 70

Gene Stenger, tenor

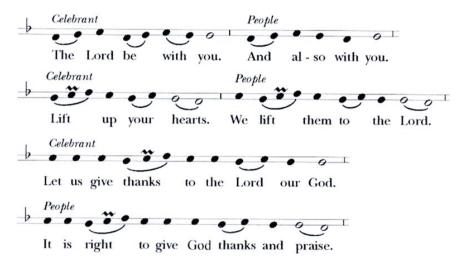
Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

HYMN AT THE OFFERTORY standing

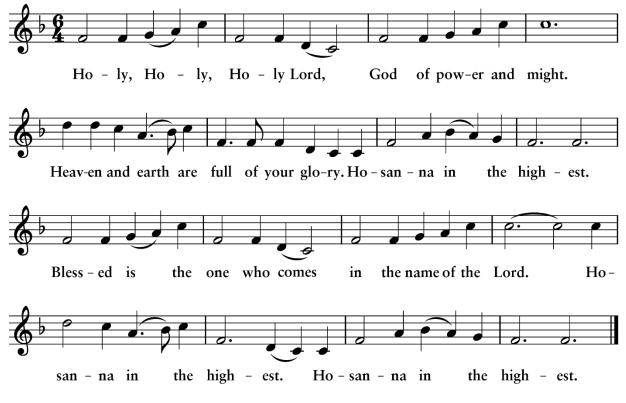


Words: John Greenleaf Whittier (1807-1892) Music: *Repton*, Charles Hubert Hastings Parry

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:



Setting: Land of Rest, arr. Richard Proulx

The Celebrant continues

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

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.

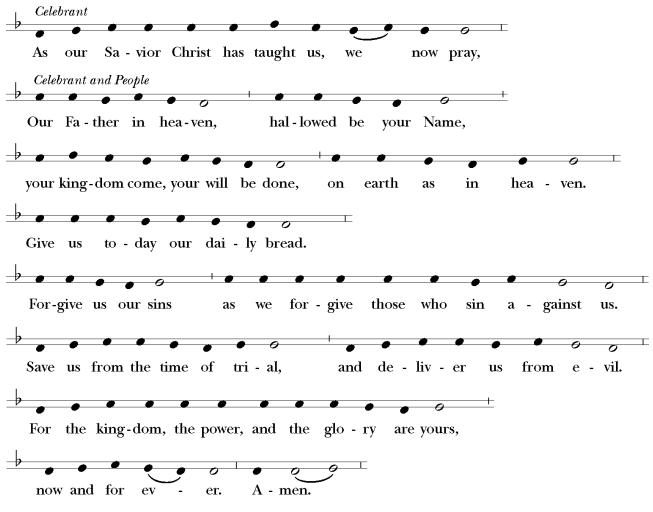
Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with the blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Paul, and all your saints, we may praise your Name for ever.

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.

People

A-men.

THE LORD'S PRAYER



Setting: Ambrosian Chant, adapt. Mason Martens

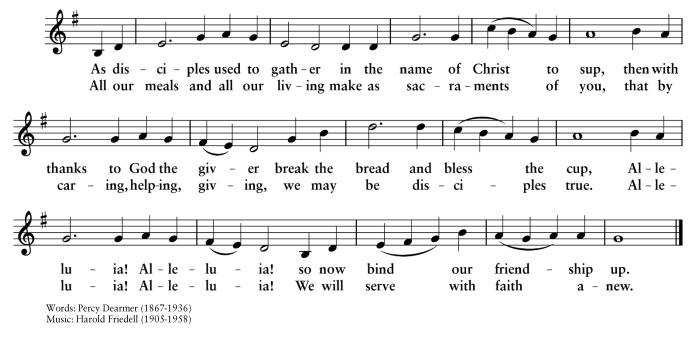
The Communion

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

This is the Bread of Heaven. Broken for the life of the world.

Everyone, without exception, is welcome to receive the bread and wine of Communion. Please follow the direction of the ushers. Gluten-free hosts are available upon request; grape juice is available in the blue-dot cups. Healing prayer is available in the side aisles for those wishing to pray with someone for any need in their lives.

All sing as the distribution of Communion begins:



MUSIC AT COMMUNION sung by the Cantor at 11:00am

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

The blessing of God Almighty: Eternal Majesty, Incarnate Word, and Abiding Spirit, be upon you and remain with you, now and always. **Amen.**

HYMN IN PROCESSION



Words: Charles Wesley (1707–1788), alt.
Music: Paderborn, melody from Catolisch-Paderbornisches Gesang-buch, 1765; harm. Sydney Hugo Nicholson (1875–1947)

THE DISMISSAL

Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Improvisation - Ulysses Squitieri

ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE FOR UKRAINE, SUNDAY, JULY 9 - 4 PM

As the world commemorates 500 days of Russia's full-fledged aggression against Ukraine, Washington National Cathedral will host a special ecumenical prayer service. The service will be livestreamed; visit the St. Paul's events calendar for the link to join.

THE WORSHIP IS OVER - THE SERVICE BEGINS

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