



Holy Cross

EPISCOPAL CHURCH



The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost
October 29, 2023

The Service of the Word

Opening Hymn: “Gather Your People” (*see insert*)

Celebrant Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People ***And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever! Amen.***

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

CHILDREN’S CHAPEL *** (Ages 4 – 10 years)

During the following hymn, children process with the leader to the Chapel for a lesson and singing; they return at The Peace.

Song of Praise 362: “Holy Holy Holy”

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee:

Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,

God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

The Collect of the Day - *prayed by the Celebrant*

The First Reading: Deuteronomy 26:1-11

When you have entered the land the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance and have taken possession of it and settled in it, take some of the firstfruits of all that you produce from the soil of the land the Lord your God is giving you and put them in a basket. Then go to the place the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his Name and say to the priest in office at the time, “I declare today to the Lord your God that I have come to the land the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us.” The priest shall take the basket from you hands and set it down in front of the altar of the Lord your God. Then you shall declare before the Lord your God: “My father was a wandering Aramean, and he went down into Egypt with a few people and lived there and became a great nation, powerful and numerous. But the Egyptians mistreated us and made us suffer, subjecting us to harsh labor. Then we cried out to the Lord, the God of our ancestors, and the Lord heard our voice and saw our misery, toil and oppression. So the Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with great

terror and with signs and wonders. He brought us to this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey; and now I bring the firstfruits of the soil that you, Lord, have given me.” Place the basket before the Lord your God and bow down before him. Then you and the Levites and the foreigners residing among you shall rejoice in all the good things the Lord your God has given you and your household.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

Psalm: 1 (read responsively by whole verse)

- 1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked,
nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
- 2 Their delight is in the law of the LORD,
and they meditate on his law day and night.
- 3 They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither;
everything they do shall prosper.
- 4 It is not so with the wicked;
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
- 5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes,
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- 6 For the LORD knows the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

Sequence Hymn: “Everlasting God” (*see insert*)

The Gospel Reading: Matthew 22:34-46

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

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

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. “Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?” He said to him, “‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ This is

the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

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

'The Lord said to my Lord,
"Sit at my right hand,
until I put your enemies under your feet"?"

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

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.
People ***Praise to you Lord Christ.***

Sermon: *The Rev. Rob Dixon*

The Nicene Creed (p. 358 BCP)

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 & 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.*

(*"catholic" means universal)

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. *(Silence)*

For all people in their daily life and work; *For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone. (Silence)*

For this community, the nation, and the world; *For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace. (Silence)*

For all people in Israel and Gaza; we especially pray for the hostages, the bereaved, and all innocent people who are suffering and who will suffer *-(Silence)*. Defend the innocent, Lord; strengthen and guide the good; and cast down the forces of evil and hatred everywhere. *Thy will be done on Earth as it is in Heaven.*

For the just and proper use of your creation; *For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression. (Silence)*

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy. *(Silence)*

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. – *(Pray aloud or silently for your own needs and concerns)*. We pray especially for all who have died and for those who miss them. – *Pause*. Comfort and sustain us. Help us to trust in you and in the never-ending life you eternally offer all people.

We will exalt you, O God our King; *And praise your Name for ever and ever.*

And now, Heavenly Father, we pray to you for the forgiveness of our sins. *Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

The Peace: Welcome & Announcements

Prayers of the People

**For Giving
Electronically**

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camera at this
Image.

Thank You!





The Holy Communion

This portion of the service begins on p. 361 in the BCP however, you are encouraged to give your attention to the altar.

The Communion. All baptized Christians are invited and welcome to receive Communion. Anyone who does not wish to receive communion is invited come forward, cross their arms over their chest, and receive a blessing. If you would like the clergy to bring communion to someone in the pews, please notify the ushers at the door of the church. For bread only, no wine, put one arm across your chest. Gluten Free available.

Offertory: “Revelation Song” (see insert)

The Doxology 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. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

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.

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

Sanctus S-129

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.

Celebrant Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People *Christ has died.*

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Lord’s Prayer (p. 336 BCP)

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.

Communion Hymn: “Here’s my Heart, Lord”

(Refrain) Here’s my heart Lord. Here’s my heart Lord Here’s my heart Lord, speak what is true.

‘Cause I am found I am Yours, I am loved I’m made pure I have life I can breathe, I am healed I am free (Refrain)

‘Cause You are strong You are sure. You are life You endure You are good always true. You are light breaking through (Refrain)

Communion Hymn: “Behold the Lamb”

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away, slain for us:

and we remember, The promise made that all who come in faith find forgiveness at the cross.

(Refrain) So we share in this Bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice, As a sign of our bonds of peace, around the table of the King.

The body of our Saviour, Jesus Christ, torn for you: eat and remember. The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life, paid the price to make us one. (R/.)

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin, shed for you: drink and remember He drained death’s cup that all may enter in to receive the life of God. (R/.)

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise to respond: and to remember. Our call to follow in the steps of Christ as His body here on earth. As we share in His suffering, we proclaim: Christ will come again! And we’ll join in the feast of heaven, around the table of the King

Post Communion Prayer (p. 365 BCP)

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

Closing Hymn 687: “A Mighty Fortress is Our God”

Serving Today

8:00am

DOD: Pam Walker

Ambassadors: Jane Briscione

Chalice Bearers: Ed Austin

Readers: DeAnne Amacker, Nancy Gibbons

10:30am

DOD: Marline Austin

Acolytes: Ethan Winn, Stella Dixon,
& Ileya Soboadash

Ambassadors: Clay Coleman

Chalice Bearers: Janelle Berger,

Readers: Madeleine Hutchison, Stephen Bell

Flower Dedications

Your Sermon Notes:

Prayer List

Requested Prayers will remain on the list for 4 weeks. Please let us know if you need to be on longer.

Requested Prayer

Angel, Ann, Anne M., Arlie, Art H., Barbara S., Bobby, Brad, Brenna, Byron, Carolyn, Chloe, Cindy B., Cindy R., Connie, Cory, Crystal, Curt, Della, Daniel C., David P., Diane P., Don, Elaine, Evelyn, Fay, Francis, Gary, Gretchen, Herman, Ivy, Jack, Jan, Jean, Jeff, Jim W., John H., John J., Jonathan U., Joyce Ba., Judy, Karen, Kathy B., Kathy M., Kathy S., Keith, Kelli, Kelly, Kenneth, Kenny, Linda, Mabel, Mallory, Manuel L., Manuel S., Marguerite, Marilyn, Mark, Mary, Martha, Melissa, Michelle, Mike, Nancy S., Phyllis, Rachel I., Ralph, Richard, Sally, Sarah, Seth, Sheri L., Sherry Jo, Tammy, The Rev. Trisha Spencer, Thomas S., Tom L., Tonya, Victor, Virginia, Wade, Walt, Wendy, William B., & William Z.

Military

Adam Paris, Adam Thomas, Adam Zigler, Alexander Logan, Asa Ramsey, Ben Boyer, Benjamin Merriweather, Bruce Gough, Cale Eggart, Chase Coleman, Christian Clark, Corbin Czeck, Daniel Payden, Donovan Chau, Doug Wiessman, Dylan Hoewt, Grant Hungerford, Hunter Bailey, Jackie Neville, James Madden, Jeremy Rice, Jessica Parker, Jose Hernandez, Kathryn Rubio, Kevin Kahl, Landen Haskins, Laz Bailiff, Marc Ruiz, Mike Darrah, Nicholas Pinkston, Sean Haight, Shaun Southall, Stephen del Risco, & Tyler Post

Prayers for Guidance & Peace

Leanne Beaumont
Ted Kirchharr

Rest of the Soul

Art Odle (Father of Rachel Iversen)
Rick Hardcastle (Beloved Church Family Member)

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