

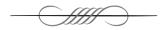
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The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost Proper 8 July 2, 2023



### The Liturgy of The Holy Eucharist II

#### Procession to the Altar Hymn #304

I come with joy

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy

Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and

for ever. Amen.

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.* 

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.* 

#### A Reading from 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."

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

#### Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18

- Your love, O LORD, for ever will I sing; from age to age my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness.
- 2 For I am persuaded that your love is established for ever; you have set your faithfulness firmly in the heavens.

- 3 "I have made a covenant with my chosen one; I have sworn an oath to David my servant:
- 4 'I will establish your line for ever, and preserve your throne for all generations.'"
- Happy are the people who know the festal shout! They walk, O LORD, in the light of your presence.
- 16 They rejoice daily in your Name; they are jubilant in your righteousness.
- 17 For you are the glory of their strength, and by your favor our might is exalted.
- 18 Truly, the LORD is our ruler; the Holy One of Israel is our King.

#### A Reading from Romans

(6:12-23)

Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification. When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is

eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
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#### **Gradual Hymn**

Lord, Be Glorified

- 1. In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified. In my life, Lord, be glorified today.
- 2. In your Church.....
- 3. In my home.....

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#### The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew (10:40-42)

#### Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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

#### **Gradual Hymn**

Lord. Be Glorified

- 4. In my work, Lord, be glorified, be glorified. In my work, Lord, be glorified today.
- 5. In my faith.....
- 6. In my life.....

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#### The Sermon

Silence for reflection

#### The Nicene Creed (Standing, as able.)

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*.

#### **Prayers of the People**

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. We pray for the Anglican Communion, especially for the Dioceses of Trichy-Tanjore - (South India), Trinidad & Tobago - (West Indies), Truro - (England), Tuam, Killala & Achonry - (Ireland), Twik East - (South Sudan), Udi - (Nigeria), and Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil; our diocese, especially for St. Aiden's, Camano Island; Transfiguration, Darrington; and for our parish.

Lord, in your mercy,

#### Hear our prayer

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, especially Joseph our President, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. We pray for our armed forces, their families, and those who are deployed, especially for those we now name;

Lord, in your mercy, *Hear our prayer.* 

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Lord, in your mercy, *Hear our prayer.* 

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. We thank you for all the blessings of this life, especially for those we now name.

Lord, in your mercy, *Hear our prayer* 

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We pray for those on our prayer list and those in our hearts, praying especially for Lyn, Areewa, Marisa, Rico, Saray, Leif, Kari, Kathryn, Milana, Jackie, Elianny, Glen, Gary, Marilyn, Justin & Kendra, Alex, Janae, Travon, Debbie, Cindy, Scott, Mike, Kim, Mike, Michele, Bob, Garry, Emerson, Robert, Sean and for those we now name;

Lord, in your mercy, *Hear our prayer.* 

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially Carina Cordero, that your will for them may be fulfilled. We pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy, *Hear our prayer*.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Leader and 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 you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen* 

#### The Peace

*Celebrant* The Peace of the Lord be always with

you.

People And also with you.

#### Announcements, Birthdays, Anniversaries

#### Offertory

Our Sunday loose cash offerings go to our Emergency Aid Fund, which directly serves families and individuals in need within our community. Your generosity makes saying "yes" to those who need help the most possible.



#### The Great Thanksgiving - C

The Celebrant faces the people and says

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 proceeds

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

#### Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

## By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

## By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Celebrant and People

#### Sanctus

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 people stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues
And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him,
and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now
bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy
Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.
On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the
blessing, broke the bread, 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." After supper, he
took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this,
all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which
is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of
me." Remembering now his work of redemption, and
offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

# We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

### Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. *AMEN*.

#### Lord's Prayer

Celebrant As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

Our father in heaven
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

# The Breaking of the Bread and Holy Communion

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.** 

All persons are invited to come forward to receive Holy Communion in one <u>or</u> both of the elements or receive a blessing. Gluten-free hosts and alcohol-free wine are available upon request at the rail. If you have yet to be baptized and are interested in learning more about this sacrament, please see one of the clergy following the liturgy.

If you do not wish to come forward for Communion or a blessing, or if you are attending the liturgy virtually, you are invited to pray the following from The St. Augustine's Prayer Book.

#### **Prayer for Spiritual Communion**

In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, I long to offer praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory. I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive Communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

#### **The Post Communion Prayer**

Celebrant

Let us pray

Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

#### The Blessing

The Peace of God, which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen*.

### Procession to the Neighborhood

Hymn #525

The Church's one foundation

St. Matthew Mission Statement To be a church that passionately embraces and values all people, growing in the love of Christ through word and action.

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God.