FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Holy Eucharist: Rite One

September 13, 2020 | 8:00 AM

Our Saviour Sunday
THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation

_Celebrant_ Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
_People_ And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

_Celebrant_ Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

_Celebrant_ The Lord be with you.
_People_ And with thy spirit.
_Celebrant_ Let us pray.

O God, forasmuch as without thee we are not able to please thee, mercifully grant that thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the same Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, now and for ever. Amen.
The First Reading

Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph’s brothers said, “What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?” So they approached Joseph, saying, “Your father gave this instruction before he died, ‘Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.’ Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father.” Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, “We are here as your slaves.” But Joseph said to them, “Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones.” In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

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

Silence is kept.

The Psalm
Psalm 103:1-13 Benedic, anima mea
BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, p. 733

Read in unison

1 Bless the LORD, O my soul, *
   and all that is within me, bless his holy Name.
2 Bless the LORD, O my soul, *
   and forget not all his benefits.
3 He forgives all your sins *
   and heals all your infirmities;
4 He redeems your life from the grave *
   and crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness;
5 He satisfies you with good things, *
   and your youth is renewed like an eagle’s.
6 The LORD executes righteousness *
   and judgment for all who are oppressed.
7 He made his ways known to Moses *
   and his works to the children of Israel.
8 The LORD is full of compassion and mercy, *
   slow to anger and of great kindness.
9 He will not always accuse us, *
   nor will he keep his anger for ever.
10 He has not dealt with us according to our sins, *
   nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.
11 For as the heavens are high above the earth, *
   so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.
12 As far as the east is from the west, *
   so far has he removed our sins from us.
13 As a father cares for his children, *
   so does the LORD care for those who fear him.

Silence is kept.

The Holy Gospel
Matthew 18:21-35

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People Glory be to thee, O Lord.
Peter came and said to Jesus, “Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?” Jesus said to him, “Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

“For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, ‘Pay what you owe.’ Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?’ And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Sermon The Rev. Jeff Thornberg and the Rev. Dr. Thomas Ni

Silence is kept for reflection.

The Nicene Creed

Celebrant and People

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

When the Intercessor invites us by saying “Let us pray to the Lord,” please join in saying “Holy One, hear our prayer.”

During the silence, the people add their own prayers, either silently or aloud. The Celebrant concludes with a Collect.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

All greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Welcome and Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Anthem

All Things Bright and Beautiful

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer I

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them up unto the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
People It is meet and right so to do.
The people remain standing, as they are able, and the Celebrant begins,

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and singing,

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:**
**Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory.**
**Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.**

The people remain standing, or kneel, as they are able. The Celebrant continues.

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for all, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.”

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**
And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**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.**

**The Breaking of the Bread**

_A period of silence is kept._

_Celebrant_  Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us!

_People_  Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

_The Celebrant says the Invitation to Communion._

**Prayer for Spiritual Reception**

_(A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion)._  

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.  
_(St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787; from Bishop Curry)_

_After Communion, the Celebrant says_  

Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, you have instituted for us a great sacrament in your promise of life and love, which we remember now as we hear your words again: “This is my body; this is my blood — given for you.” Feed us in our hearts with faith and trust, draw us closer to you and to each other, and strengthen us for service to our neighbor. We come before you now, with hearts you have fed all our lives with the promise that you have given yourself for us. Keep us strong in that faith until we can meet at your table again. Amen.  
_(From Bishop Erwin)_

_The Priest blesses the people._
Dismissal

The Celebrant dismisses the people.

People  Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Postlude

You Raise Me Up  Rolf Undsæt Løvland (b. 1955)

The flowers this Sunday are given in thanksgiving for the birthday of Ruth Nicholson Stewart, and in honor of Robert Bartley, Jr.’s retirement from Arcadia Police Department and Dylan Bartley’s Honorable Discharge from the US Marine Corp.
PARTICIPANTS

Celebrant: The Rev. Greta Ronningen and The Rev. Jeff Thornberg

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