Holy Eucharist Rite I
Church of the Heavenly Rest, New York City

Sunday, March 21, 2021, 11:00 a.m.

Prelude Preambule Louis Vierne (1870-1937)

Welcome & Announcements

Processional Hymn 142 stz. 1,4, 5 Lord, who throughout these forty days St. Flavian

Salutation and Collect for Purity

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.
People: God’s mercy endureth forever.

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.

Kyrie eleison McNeil Robinson

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: Let us pray.
Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The First Lesson Jeremiah 31:31-34

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house
of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the LORD,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

The Psalm

Psalm 51:1-13

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; in your great compassion blot out my offenses.

Wash me through and through from my wickedness and cleanse me from my sin.

For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight.

And so you are justified when you speak and upright in your judgment.

Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, a sinner from my mother's womb.

For behold, you look for truth deep within me, and will make me understand wisdom secretly.

Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.

Make me hear of joy and gladness, that the body you have broken may rejoice.

Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquities.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from your presence and take not your holy Spirit from me.

Give me the joy of your saving help again and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.

Sequence Hymn 603 stz. 1

When Christ was lifted from the earth

When Christ was lifted from the earth,

His arms stretched out above

Through every culture, every birth,

To draw an answering love.

The Gospel

John 12:20-33
Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor. “Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—‘Father, save me from this hour’? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

**All may stand.**

**The Sermon**

The Reverend Cynthia Stravers

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**The Nicene Creed**

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.

The Prayers of the People

Priest: Let us pray for the church and for the world.

Intercessor: 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.

Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

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

Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: Bless all those whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: 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 also for the needs of our online community.

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

Intercessor: We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask, help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Confession of Sin

Assisting Priest: Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

All: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Comfortable Words

Celebrant: Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him. Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you.

The Peace
Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People: And with thy spirit.

Offertory Sentence

The Setting of the Table 
Bread of the world 
Trad. Scottish arr. Alan Bullard (b. 1947)

The Great Thanksgiving
The people remain standing.

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 to the Lord our God.
People: It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, ... we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying:

All: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, ... 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,

People and Celebrant:
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

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

The Prayer of Humble Access

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness,  
but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion for those joining online

Celebrant and People:
In Jesus Christ we are made One body and One Spirit. We are many places and we are also joined together from every tribe and language and people and nation. Receiving communion here is an outward and visible sign of the gift that God's Grace offers us wherever we are.

Invitation

Celebrant:
The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Communion of the People

Music During Communion Hymn 314 stz. 1-3  
Humbly I adore thee  
Adoro devote

1. Humbly I adore thee, verity unseen,  
who thy glory hidest 'neath these shadows mean;  
Lo to thee surrendered, my whole heart is bowed,  
tranced as it beholds thee shrined within the cloud.

2. Taste and touch and vision to discern thee fail;  
faith, that comes by hearing, pierces through the veil.  
I believe whate’er the Son of God hath told;  
what the Truth hath spoken, that for truth I hold.
3. O memorial wondrous of the Lord's own death;
living Bread that givest all thy creatures breath,
Grant my spirit ever by the life may live,
to my taste thy sweetness neverfailing give.

The Post-Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.
Celebrant and People:
Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in
these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy
Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards
us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed
company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting
kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace,
that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast
prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy
Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Blessing

The Dismissal
Assisting Priest: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Recessional Hymn 448 vs. 1,4, 6 O love, how deep Deus tuorum militum

1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high,
how passing thought and fantasy,
that God, the Son of God, should take
our mortal form for mortals' sake!

4 For us to wicked hands betrayed,
scourged, mocked, in purple robe arrayed,
he bore the shameful cross and death;
for us gave up his dying breath.

6 All glory to our Lord and God
for love so deep, so high, so broad;
the Trinity whom we adore
forever and forevermore.

Postlude Fanfare Kenneth Leighton (1929-1988)