

**ADVENT EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
**3760 Dover Center Road**  
**Westlake, Ohio 44145**

**May 30, 2021**

**10:00 a.m.**

**The First Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Trinity Sunday**  
**Rite II - Holy Eucharist - The Word of God**

**PRELUDE**

**PROCESSIONAL Hymn # 362 Holy Holy, Holy,**  
**Lord God Almighty**

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.

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,  
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
Which wert, and art, and every more shalt be.

**OPENING SALUTATION & RESPONSE**

**BCP 355**

*The people standing*

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* ***The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.***

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.***

*All standing, spoken*

**THE GLORIA**

**BCP 356**

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 Celebrant says to the people*

The Lord be with you.

*People* ***And also with you.***

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

**BCP 228**

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

*The people sit*

## READING

**Exodus 3:1-6**

**Pew Bible 1**

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

## PSALM

**93**

**BCP 722**

- <sup>1</sup> The Lord is King;  
he has put on splendid apparel;\*  
the Lord has put on his apparel  
and girded himself with strength.
- <sup>2</sup> He has made the whole world so sure\*  
that it cannot be moved;
- <sup>3</sup> Ever since the world began, your throne has been established;\*  
you are from everlasting.
- <sup>4</sup> The waters have lifted up, O Lord,  
the waters have lifted up their voice;\*  
the waters have lifted up their pounding waves.
- <sup>5</sup> Mightier than the sound of many waters,  
mightier than the breakers of the sea,\*  
mightier is the Lord who dwells on high.
- <sup>6</sup> Your testimonies are very sure,\*  
and holiness adorns your house, O Lord,  
for ever and for evermore.

## Psalm Response (say)

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.*

## READING

**Romans 8:12-17**

**Pew Bible 1184**

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

## GOSPEL PROCESSION Hymn #686 Come Thou Fount

Come, thou fount of every blessing,  
Tune my heart to sing thy grace!  
Streams of mercy never ceasing,  
Call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet,  
Sung by flaming tongues above.  
Praise the mount! Oh, fix me on it,  
Mount of God's unchanging love.

*Celebrant*      The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
                 according to John.

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

**THE HOLY GOSPEL      John 3:1-16      Pew Bible 1111**

*Celebrant*      The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Here I find my greatest treasure;  
Hither, by thy help, I've come;  
And I hope, by thy good pleasure,  
Safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger  
Wandering from the fold of God;  
He, to rescue me from danger,  
Interposed his precious blood.

## **SERMON**

**Pastor Paul Laursen**

## **NICENE CREED (all standing)**

**BCP 358**

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**

## **BCP 392, Form 6**

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

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.***

For this community, the nation, and the world;

***For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.***

For the just and proper use of your creation;

***For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.***

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

***For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.***

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

***For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.***

For Archbishop Welby; our Presiding Bishop Curry; our own Bishops, Hollingsworth and Love;  
 and for all bishops and other ministers;

***For all who serve God in his Church.***

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions*

Hear us, Lord;

***For your mercy is great.***

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own thanksgivings*

We will exalt you, O God our King;

***And praise your Name for ever and ever.***

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in  
 your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;  
***Who put their trust in you.***

*Silence*

***Our Father in heaven,  
We pray with open hearts and minds to know your will for us.  
Reveal to us the initiatives we should take:  
For nourishing ourselves with your Word; for supporting each other in Christian fellowship;  
for taking the Gospel to outside communities; and for loving and serving others in the power  
of your Spirit.  
We are grateful for the pastoral encouragement you have provided us in this season. We are  
grateful for our lay leadership in their shouldering of extra burdens. Lord, we ask that you  
lay bare the hearts of this congregation, and open each one of us to every new day. Open us to  
what you have for our future as a new church family in Christ. Amen.***

## **CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION**

**BCP 360**

*Leader* We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*Leader and People*

***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.***

*Celebrant concludes with an Absolution*

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**

*All stand. The Celebrant says to the people*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Then the Celebrant and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

**OFFERTORY     Hymn #717 My Country 'Tis of Thee**

*Celebrant* Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself  
for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

## PRESENTATION OF ALMS & OBLATIONS

## PREPARATION OF ELEMENTS

## DOXOLOGY

The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.

*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

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

*The people remain standing. The Celebrant 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.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For with thy co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, thou art one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Substance; and we celebrate the one and equal glory of thee, O Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Celebrant and People*

**The Sanctus** (say) Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. (2Xs)  
Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest. (2Xs)

*The people stand or kneel.*

*Then the Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

### **The Memorial Acclamation**

*(Said)*                ***Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.***

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

**The Great Amen**    (say)    *Amen. Amen. Amen.*

*Celebrant*    *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**

**BCP 364**

*Celebrant*    Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People*                ***Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.***

*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.

\* *All baptized Christians are welcome to receive communion.*

*For those not yet baptized (or for baptized visitors who do not wish to receive the Sacrament), you may come to the altar rail and cross your arms; the priest will be happy to pray a prayer of blessings.\* Administration of Communion:*

*- Please follow usher's directions to altar rail.*

*- The consecrated bread is offered with the words,*

*"The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven." (Amen).*

*\* Intercessory Prayer is available at the back of the Sanctuary.*

## **COMMUNION HYMN**

### **One Bread, One Body**

*One bread, one body, one Lord of all  
One cup of blessing which we bless.  
And we, though many, throughout the earth  
We are one body in this one Lord.*

Gentile or Jew, servant or free,  
Woman or man, no more. *(Refrain)*

Many the gifts, many the works,  
One in the Lord of all. *(Refrain)*

Grain for the fields, scattered and grown,  
Gathered to one, for all. *(Refrain)*

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*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**, *said by all*

BCP 365

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**

### **RECESSIONAL BOB # 198 Shout to the Lord**

#### **Shout to the Lord**

My Jesus, My Savior, Lord, there is none like you,  
All of my days I want to praise  
The wonders of your mighty love;  
My Comfort, my Shelter, Tower of refuge and strength;  
Let every breath, all that I am,  
Never cease to worship you.

Shout to the Lord all the earth, let us sing  
Power and majesty, praise to the King;  
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar  
At the sound of your name.  
I sing for joy at the work of your hands,



For ever I'll love you, for ever I'll stand;  
Nothing compares to the promise I have in you. *(Repeat)*

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## THE DISMISSAL

BCP 366

*The Celebrant dismisses them with these words*

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People*

Thanks be to God.

The appropriate response at the Dismissal on Sunday mornings, beginning the Sunday after Pentecost and continuing until Easter Sunday is "THANKS BE TO GOD." The only time "Alleluia, alleluia" is added to "Thanks be to God" occurs Easter Sunday through the Day of Pentecost, where the focus is on the most joyous time of the church year – Christ's resurrection! <i>See page 366 at the bottom of the Book of Common Prayer.</i>
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## POSTLUDE