ALL SAINTS, EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Trinity Sunday

May 30, 2021

The Holy Eucharist, Rite Two

Year B

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

Prelude

Hymn Holy, Holy, Holy

362, Hymnal

Opening Acclamations

Presider: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People: Glory to God for ever and ever.

Presider and People

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.

8:00 am Gloria

BCP, 356

10:00 am Gloria (yellow card)

Collect of the Day

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*.

An introduction: In this passage, Isaiah gives the grounds for his authority as a prophet. The year is 742 BC. Assyria is expanding its borders. The northern kingdom, Israel, is trying to coerce Judah into a military alliance against the Assyrian threat. Isaiah has a vision of God enthroned, surrounded by courtiers, with seraphs hovering above him, guarding him; and then performing something of a liturgy of purification to make him worthy of the work he was about to do.

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah [6:1-8]

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!" Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People. Response: Thanks be to God

Psalm 29

- 1 Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, * ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his Name; * worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.
- 3 The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; *

- the LORD is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice; * the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.
- 5 The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; * the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 God makes Lebanon skip like a calf, * and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
- 7 The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; * the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 8 The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe * and strips the forests bare.
- 9 And in the temple of the LORD * all are crying, "Glory!"
- 10 The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; * the LORD sits enthroned as King for evermore.
- 11 The LORD shall give strength to his people; * the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

An introduction: Paul has told us how Christian experience is dominated by life in the Spirit rather than by the desires of the flesh, or self-centeredness. Christians are still subject to suffering, to bearing crosses and affliction, but we have hope by virtue of our adoption by God. Now he says that we are under an obligation to God: to live according to the Spirit. Living this way, rejecting self-centeredness, we look forward to eternal life.

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Rome [8:12-17]

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by

the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

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Gospel Hymn O Jesus, joy of loving hearts

649, Hymnal

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to John [3:1-17]

Response: Glory to you, Lord Christ

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit."

Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen;

yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

Response: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Curtis Metzger

A brief moment of silence may follow

The Prayers of the People, Form III

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Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People: That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; *People: That your Name may be glorified by all people.*

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; may the church inspire peace throughout the world. In our diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for all those who have served this country in the Armed Services. In the Anglican cycle of prayer we remember The Anglican Church of Mexico.

People: That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; *People: That there may be justice and peace on the earth.*

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People: That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; may we hold before God's life all in need, remembering those on our prayer list and all those you wish to name silently or aloud; please join me if you would like in saying their names: Jackie Rogers, Liam Ferguson, Ralph Porfido, John B. Avery, Bunny Stoddard, Xondra Smith, Tyler Emerson, Christy McCaulay, Karl Vander Woude, Hank and Jean-Marie Peterson, Jaxson Bagore, David and Deb McRich, Kate, Dave Quinn, Mark Flescher, Noreen Watts, Sherry Sachritz, Jeannine Edwards, Joan Mistretta, Charlena McDufford, Lex Burton, Roxy Bowker, Sandy & Virginia Lyman, Laurie MacGregor, Anna Hayden, Patti Schaffer, Adon Fogg, Sue Wheeler, Pat Cowles, Herb Little, Larry Cormier, Valerie Lowe, Zachary Lemire, Lyle Johnson, Bill Gilmore, Amy and Julian, Don Perlee, Marcia, Cindy, Xavi Lopez, Judith Stimson, and Dorothea Williams.

And those you name silently or aloud. (Pause)

Surround them with your healing Spirit.

People: That they may be delivered from their distress.

We pray for all those who have ascended to God through death, especially those who have died for their country and all those you wish to name silently or aloud: (*Pause*)

Give to the departed eternal rest.

People: Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People: May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

The presider offers a concluding collect.

Confession of Sin

Deacon: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Presider and people

BCP, 360

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.

Presider continues

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory

At the Presentation of our offering

8 AM we say, All things come of thee, O Lord.

And of thine own have we given thee.

10 AM we sing,

Praise God, from whom all blessing flow

380 v3, Hymnal

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer C

BCP, 369

The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

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

People: 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.

People: 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.

People: 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.

People: 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:

Presider and People (10:00 AM: yellow card)

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 Presider continues

And so, O God, 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,

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

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God of Sarah, Rebecca, Leah and Rachel; 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.

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

Accept these prayers and praises, O God, 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*.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

The Lord's Prayer

BCP, 364

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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Breaking of the bread

Presider: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ

People: We who are many are one body,

for we all share in the one bread.

Presider: The gifts of God for the people of God, take this bread in remembrance that Christ lived, taught, died, and rose for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith and with thanksgiving.

Presider: The body of Christ, the bread of heaven. Amen.

All consume their bread

The Presider invites someone to consume the consecrated wine on behalf of all.

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 O love, how deep

448, Hymnal

Dismissal

Response: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia

Postlude

(You are invited to stay for the organ postlude.)

WELCOME GUESTS!

Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God from

Anniversary Blessings

Melvin & Ellen Rowe



Kevin Buckley, Yvonne Robinson, Laurie Buxton, and Rebecca Hill-Larsen

PARISH CALENDAR

TODAY 11:30 am, ZOOM Coffee Hour

Tuesday, June 1st 11:00 am, Centering Prayer, Sanctuary

5:00 pm, Dinner Bell, All Saint's Episcopal Church

TAKE-OUT ONLY

MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

Readers: 8:00 Paul Lister 10:00

Intercessor: 8:00 Lisa Beausoleil 10:00

Acolyte: 8:00 Lisa Beausoleil

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