

The Holy Eucharist

The Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 14, 2015 • 11:15 am
Washington National Cathedral

THE ENTRANCE RITE

CARILLON PRELUDE

The Church's one foundation

Aurelia; arranged by Edward M. Nassor (b.1957)

ORGAN PRELUDE

Prelude in E-flat, BWV 552

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

INTROIT

Prayer of the Venerable Bede

Richard Proulx (1937-2010)

Sung in Latin. Christ is the Morning Star, who when the night of this world is past, he gives to his saints the promise of the light of life, and opens everlasting day.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN • 525

Sung by all, standing.

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Aurelia

OPENING ACCLAMATION

When anyone is united to Christ, there is a new world;

The old order has gone, and a new order has already begun.

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

Glory to God for ever and ever.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.

SONG OF PRAISE





THE WORD OF GOD

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Let us pray.

The presider prays the collect and the people respond, Amen.

The people are seated for the readings and psalm.

THE FIRST READING I Samuel 15:34-16:13

Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul. Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the Lord was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel.

The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the Lord said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord." But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart." Then Jesse

called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

PSALM 20 Chant: Ivor Atkins

The choir introduces the antiphon, then all repeat.



May the Lord answer you in the day of trouble,

the Name of the God of Jacob defend you;

Send you help from his holy place

and strengthen you out of Zion;

Remember all your offerings

and accept your burnt sacrifice;

Grant you your heart's desire

and prosper all your plans.

We will shout for joy at your victory and triumph in the Name of our God;

may the Lord grant all your requests.

Now I know that the Lord gives victory to his anointed;

he will answer him out of his holy heaven, with the victorious strength of his right hand.

Some put their trust in chariots and some in horses,

but we will call upon the Name of the Lord our God.

They collapse and fall down,

but we will arise and stand upright.

O Lord, give victory to the king

and answer us when we call.

THE SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17

We are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord—for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil. For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The people stand to sing and remain standing for the Gospel.

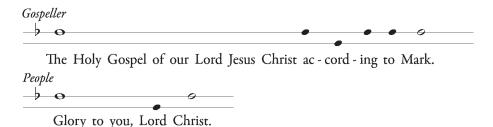
Blessed Jesus, at thy word

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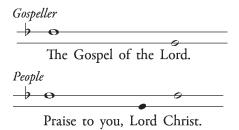
THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 4:26-34

Rev. Margaret Cunningham



Jesus said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come." He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade." With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.



The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.

The people are seared at the invitation of the preacher.

The people stand.

THE SERMON

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,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

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.

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We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father,

who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who 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

After each intercession,

God of grace and mercy,

Receive our prayer.

The presider prays the concluding collect, and the people respond, Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Gracious God, have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.

The presider offers absolution and the people respond, Amen.

THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

The people greet one another with a sign of God's peace and then are seated.

THE OFFERTORY

The people remain seated while an offering is received to support the Cathedral's ministry of sharing God's love with the world.

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

Beati quorum

Charles V. Stanford (1852-1924)

Sung in Latin. Blessed are those whose path is upright; who walk in the law of the Lord.

—Psalm 119:1

The people stand for the presentation hymn and remain standing.

HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION • 302

Father, we thank thee who hast planted

Rendez à Dieu

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

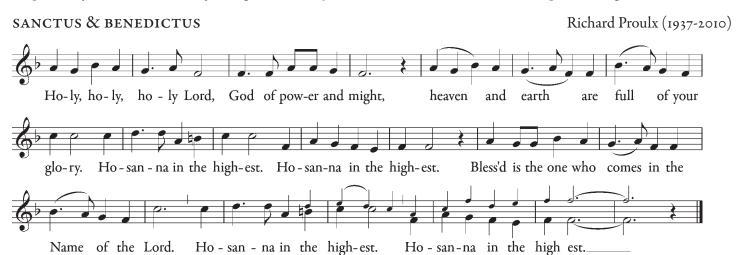
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The presider offers our thanks to God for the grace and mercy made available to us in Christ, and in response we sing:



The presider gives thanks to God for the reconciling work of Christ's passion and resurrection and prays over the bread and wine.

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Dying, you destroyed our death. Rising, you restored our life. Christ Jesus, come in glory!

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ.

Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Notre Père..., Padre nuestro..., Vater unser...,

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 AND THE FRACTION ANTHEM



INVITATION The people are seated.

All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Gluten-free wafers are available; please make your need known to the minister. If you desire to receive prayers for healing, you are invited to proceed to War Memorial Chapel after receiving Holy Communion.

ANTHEM DURING THE COMMUNION

O sacrum convivium

Olivier Messiaen (1908-1992)

Sung in Latin. O sacred feast, wherein Christ is received: the memory of his passion is renewed in us. Our souls are filled with grace, and the pledge of everlasting glory is given unto us. Alleluia.

—Anthem for the Vespers of Corpus Christi

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

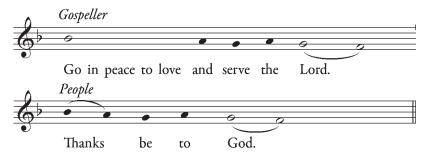
Said by all, standing.

Loving God, we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son: sustain us with your Spirit, that we may serve you here on earth until our joy is complete in heaven, and we share in the eternal banquet with Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

The presider blesses the people, and the people respond, Amen.

DISMISSAL



CLOSING HYMN • 657

Sung by all.

Love divine, all loves excelling

Hyfrydol

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Paean Percy Whitlock (1903-1946)

WORSHIP LEADERS Rev. Canon Gina Gilland Campbell, Rev. Margaret Cunningham, The Very Reverend Gary Hall, Rev. Preston B. Hannibal, Cathedral Singers

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