

The Holy Eucharist

The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 23, 2015 • 10:00 am

WASHINGTON NATIONAL CATHEDRAL

THE ENTRANCE RITE

CARILLON PRELUDE

Sinfonia, from *Cantata 29*

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750); arr. Timothy Hurd (b.1952)

ORGAN PRELUDE

Variations on Balleth. del granduca

Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck (1562-1621)

INTROIT

O sing joyfully

Adrian Batten (1591-1637)

O sing joyfully unto God our strength: make a cheerful noise unto the God of Jacob. Take the song, bring hither the tabret: the merry harp with the lute. Blow up the trumpet in the new moon, even in the time appointed, and upon our solemn feast-day. For this was made a statute for Israel: and a law of the God of Jacob.

—*Psalm 81: 1-4*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN • 521

Sung by all, standing

Put forth, O God, thy Spirit's might

Chelsea Square

OPENING ACCLAMATION

The bread of God comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.

God, give us this bread always.

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be God's reign, for ever and ever. Amen.

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

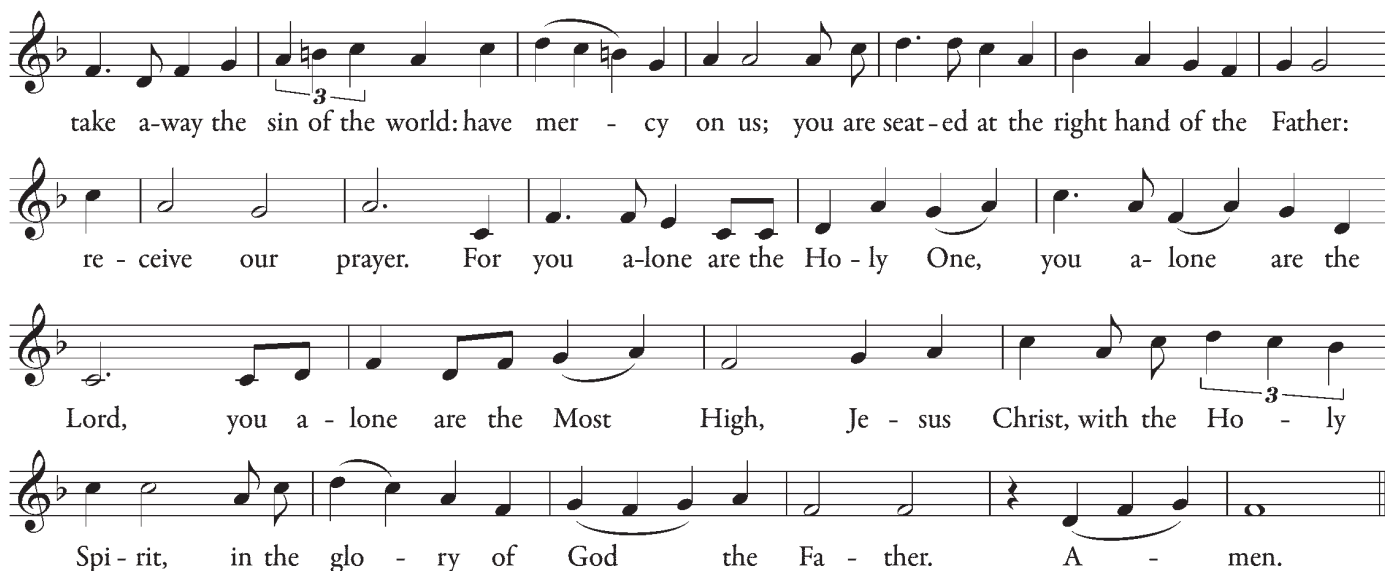
Glory to God

Robert Powell (b. 1932)

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth. Lord

God, heaven-ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we

praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you



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.

THE FIRST READING

1 Kings 8:22-30, 41-43

Then Solomon stood before the altar of the Lord in the presence of all the assembly of Israel, and spread out his hands to heaven. He said, "O Lord, God of Israel, there is no God like you in heaven above or on earth beneath, keeping covenant and steadfast love for your servants who walk before you with all their heart, the covenant that you kept for your servant my father David as you declared to him; you promised with your mouth and have this day fulfilled with your hand. Therefore, O Lord, God of Israel, keep for your servant my father David that which you promised him, saying, 'There shall never fail you a successor before me to sit on the throne of Israel, if only your children look to their way, to walk before me as you have walked before me.' Therefore, O God of Israel, let your word be confirmed, which you promised to your servant my father David. But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Even heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain you, much less this house that I have built! Regard your servant's prayer and his plea, O Lord my God, heeding the cry and the prayer that your servant prays to you today; that your eyes may be open night and day toward this house, the place of which you said, 'My name shall be there,' that you may heed the prayer that your servant prays toward this place. Hear the plea of your servant and of your people Israel when they pray toward this place; O hear in heaven your dwelling place; heed and forgive. Likewise when a foreigner, who is not of your people Israel, comes from a distant land because of your name—for they shall hear of your great name, your mighty hand, and your outstretched arm—when a foreigner comes and prays toward this house, then hear in heaven your dwelling place, and do according to all that the foreigner calls to you, so that all the peoples of the earth may know your name and fear you, as do your people Israel, and so that they may know that your name has been invoked on this house that I have built."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 84

Chant: Jerome Webster Meachen

One measure of music is sung for each half verse, changing pitch on the underlined syllable.



How dear to me is your dwelling, O God of hosts!

My soul has a desire and longing for your courts; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young,
by the side of your altars, O God of hosts, my Ruler and my God.

Happy are they who dwell in your house;
they will always be praising you.

Happy are the people whose strength is in you,
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.

Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs;
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.

They will climb from height to height;
the God of gods will be revealed in Zion.

O God of hosts, hear my prayer;
hearken, O God of Jacob.

Behold our defender, O God,
and look upon the face of your Anointed.

For one day in your courts is better than a thousand in my own room,
and to stand at the threshold of the house of my God than to dwell in the tents of the wicked;

For God is both sun and shield
and will give grace and glory.

No good thing will God withhold
from those who walk with integrity.

O God of hosts,
happy are they who put their trust in you!

THE SECOND READING

Ephesians 6:10-20

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE

From the dawning of creation

Mannheim



1. From the dawn - ing of cre - a - tion, God was pres - ent in the Word.
 2. Light ap - peared in deep - est dark - ness. Night was end - ed, morn - ing dawned.
 3. Hu - man eyes have seen God's glo - ry; hu - man hands have touched God's own.

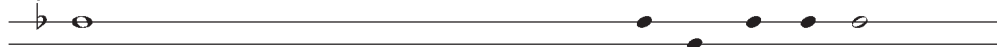
And the Word was God e - ter - nal, source of all that came to be.
 And that light is ev - er burn - ing, bright - ness nev - er ov - er - come.
 In our like - ness here a - mong us, dwells the Word of God made flesh.

Je - sus is that Word e - ter - nal. Je - sus is the Word of life.
 Je - sus is that Light e - ter - nal. Je - sus is the Word of life.
 Je - sus is that Word in - carn - ate. Je - sus is the Word of life.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 6:56-69

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The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ ac - cord - ing to John.

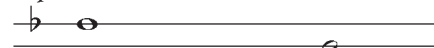
People



Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever." He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum. When many of his disciples heard this, they said, "This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?" But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, "Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe." For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, "For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father." Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, "Do you also wish to go away?" Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God."

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The Gospel of the Lord.

People



Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.

The people stand.

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.

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,

Jesus, bread of heaven,
Receive our prayer.

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

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Merciful God, we acknowledge that we fail to love you above all things. We do not delight in prayer. We do not savor your Word. We do not really love our neighbor. Our hearts are divided between your desires and our own. You, whose nature and Name is love; forgive us, we pray; and in forgiving, heal us so that in our lives something will finally be changed. 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

O how amiable

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

O how amiable are thy dwellings: thou Lord of hosts! My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord: my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God. Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young: even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they that dwell in thy house: they will be always praising thee. The glorious Majesty of the Lord our God be upon us: prosper thou the work of our hands upon us; O prosper thou our handiwork. O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.

—*Psalms 84:1-4; 90:17*

The people stand for the presentation hymn and remain standing.

HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION • 628

Help us, O Lord, to learn

St. Ethelwald

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:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Richard Proulx (1937-2010)

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, heaven and earth are full of your
glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high-est. Ho - san-na in the high-est. Bless'd is the one who comes in the
Name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high-est. Ho - san-na in the high est.

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

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ.

Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and 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

Gary James (b. 1957)

sung by Cantor first time, then All on repeat

Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread. Be

2. Cantor

bread. The bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia, is the com - mun-ion of the

Congregation

bod - y of Christ. Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.

Cantor

One bod - y are we, al - le - lu - ia, for though man - y, we share one

Congregation

bread. Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.

The people are seated.

INVITATION

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 esca viatorum

Heinrich Isaac (1450-1517)

Sung in Latin. O food of travelers, O bread of angels, O Manna from heaven! Hungering for food, sweet repast do not deny us, whose hearts are drawn to you. O Jesus, you show us your countenance in worship, hidden in the bread, grant that no matter how far we stray, we never leave your face.

The people stand.

SENDING FORTH EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

In the name of God and this Cathedral Church, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Said by all


God of all mercy, in this Eucharist you have set aside our sins and given us healing: grant that we who are made whole in Christ may bring that healing to this broken world, in the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

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


DISMISSAL

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Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People



Thanks be to God.

CLOSING HYMN • 530

Sung by all

Spread, O spread, thou mighty word

Gott sei Dank

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Praeludium in C

Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1797)

WORSHIP LEADERS The Rev. Canon Gina Gilland Campbell, The Rev. Canon Jan Naylor Cope, The Rev. Dr. Kelly Brown Douglas, The Very Reverend Gary Hall, Cathedral Choir Quartet

FLOWER GIFTS Flowers throughout the Cathedral are given to the glory of God. In thanksgiving for Robert C. Maddox, Esq., and William J. Prather, Ed.D.; in memory of Katharine MacConnell Grosscup; in memory of Leone Channon.

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