Traditional Worship

May 26, 2024 The Holy Trinity First Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE

Variations on "All Glory Be to God on High" - arr. Raymond Haan

RINGING OF THE STEEPLE BELL *

As the bell is rung the assembly stands for the Opening Hymn. A * in the order of service indicates that those who are able are invited to stand.

OPENING HYMN #413 *

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS *

Leader: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Assembly: Amen.

Leader: Almighty God, to 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 your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name,

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Assembly: Amen.

Leader: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,

Assembly: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.

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.

For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.

Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will

and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

Leader: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin,

and made us alive together with Christ.

By grace you have been saved.

In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit,

that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Assembly: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE #410 *

All Glory Be to God on High

This reformation era hymn was one of the first hymns to be adapted by the early reformers from free flowing, unmetered, plainsong chant into metered form to aid in the ease of participation of the entire assembly in worship.

PRAYER OF THE DAY *

Pastor: Let us pray.

God of heaven and earth, before the foundation of the universe and the beginning of time you are the triune God: Author of creation, eternal Word of salvation, life-giving Spirit of wisdom. Guide us to all truth by your Spirit, that we may proclaim all that Christ has revealed and rejoice in the glory he shares with

us. Glory and praise to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Assembly: Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING Isaiah 6:1-8

This reading narrates Isaiah's vision of the Lord surrounded by angels. They sing "Holy, holy, holy," a song the church sings at the beginning of the great thanksgiving. This liturgical text invites the church and all creation to sing in praise of God's glory. That glory is God's mercy toward sinners.

¹In 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. ²Seraphs 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. ³And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;

the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. ⁵And 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!"

⁶Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. ⁷The 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." ⁸Then 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!"

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **Assembly: Thanks be to God.**

PSALM Psalm 29

The cantor sings the refrain and then the assembly joins in the refrain. The cantor then sings the verses and the assembly joins in each refrain.



¹Ascribe to the LORD, you gods,

ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

²Ascribe to the LORD the glory due God's name;

worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders;

the LORD is upon the mighty waters.

⁴The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice;

the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor... Refrain

⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees;

the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

⁶the LORD makes Lebanon skip like a calf,

and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

⁷The voice of the LORD

bursts forth in lightning flashes.

⁸The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;

the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh...Refrain

⁹The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare.

And in the temple of the LORD all are crying, "Glory!"

¹⁰The LORD sits enthroned above the flood;

the LORD sits enthroned as king forevermore.

¹¹O LORD, give strength to your people;

give them, O LORD, the blessings of peace...Refrain

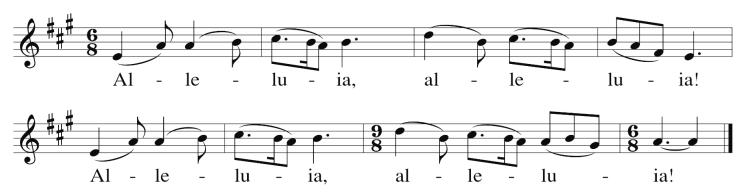
SECOND READING Romans 8:12-17

In describing the new life of faith, Paul refers to all three persons of the Trinity: the Spirit leads us to recognize that we are children of God the Father and joint heirs with Christ the Son.

¹²Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—¹³for 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. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For 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!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and 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.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **Assembly: Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *



GOSPEL LESSON * John 3:1-17

Jesus' miracles prompt Nicodemus to visit him in secrecy. Jesus tells him about being born of the Spirit and about the Son who has been sent by God to save.

Leader: The Holy Gospel according to Saint John, the third chapter.

Assembly: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ²He 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." ³Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." ⁴Nicodemus 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?" ⁵Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' ⁸The 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."

⁹Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" ¹⁰Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? ¹¹Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. ¹²If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

¹⁶"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. ¹⁷Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord. **Assembly: Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY #856 *

How Great Thou Art

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 and the Son, 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.

PRAYERS *

The assembly responds to each petition ending in "Merciful God," Assembly: receive our prayer.

The assembly responds to the final petition ending with "through the power of the Spirit and the love of Jesus Christ."

Assembly: Amen.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ. In Christ's body and blood given to us, God forgives us and nourishes us for mission.

OFFERING

As we respond to hearing God's Word and prepare to feast at God's table we contemplate the many ways we serve the Kingdom of God through our time, talents, and gifts.

Offering plates will be passed among the assembly by the ushers.

Gifts can also be given electronically using the QR Code.



8:00 – *Mothering God* – Tom Trenney

Mothering God, you gave me birth in the bright morning of this world. Creator, source of every breath, you are my rain, my wind, my sun. Mothering Christ, you took my form, offering me your food of light, grain of life, and grape of love, your very body for my peace.

Mothering Spirit, nurturing one, in arms of patience hold me close, so that in faith I root and grow until I flower, until I know.

11:10 – Anthem to the Trinity – arr. Howard Helvey

Spirit of God, descend upon my heart. This is my Father's world; He shines in all that's fair.

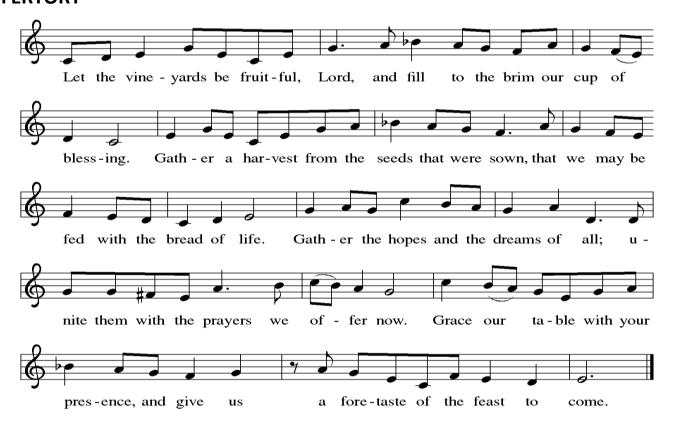
This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears all nature sings,
And 'round me rings the music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world! I rest me in the thought of rocks and trees, of skies and seas.
His hand the wonders wrought.

Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature! O Thou of God and man the Son! Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor, Thou my soul's glory, joy and crown.

Spirit of God, descend upon my heart. Wean it from earth through all its pulses move. Stoop to my weakness, mighty as Thou art, and make me love Thee as I ought to love.

Praise God, from whom all blessings glow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye Heavenly Host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen!

OFFERTORY *



GREAT THANKSGIVING *

Pastor: The Lord be with you. **Assembly:** And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

Assembly: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **Assembly:** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,

that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you,

almighty and merciful God.

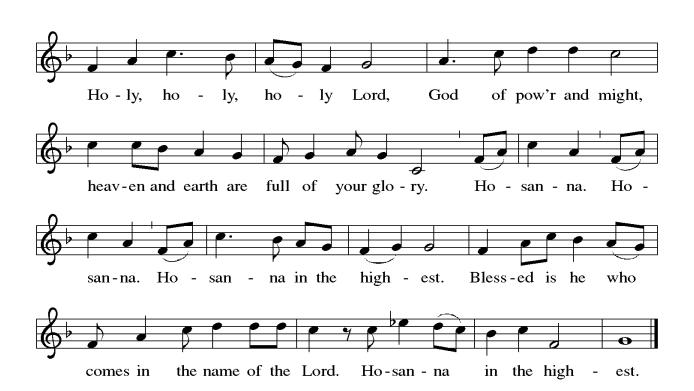
You reveal your glory as the glory of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit:

equal in majesty, undivided in splendor,

one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your eternal glory.

And so, with all the choirs of angels,

with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

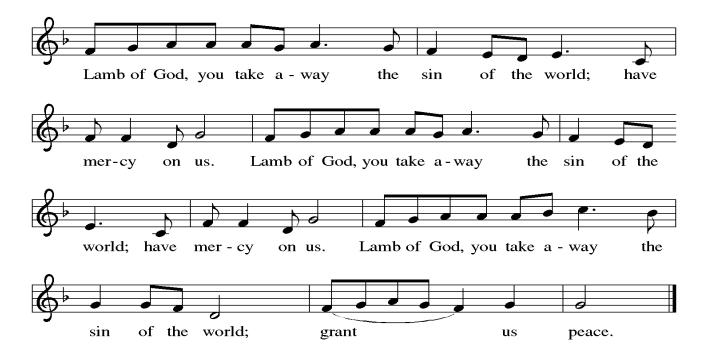


WORDS OF INSTITUTION *

LORD'S PRAYER *

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, forever and ever. Amen.

LAMB OF GOD *



HOLY COMMUNION

All those who confess Jesus as Lord and Savior are welcome to the table.

We invite you to come forward to receive the communion elements from the servers.

You will be handed a wafer from the server and are invited to select a cup of wine from the tray.

Pre-packaged elements of grape juice and gluten free wafers are available

in the baskets at the communion rail and at each entrance to the sanctuary.

You may partake of the elements at the communion rail and dispose of the cups and packaging in the baskets at the end of each communion rail or take the elements back to your pew to partake of them and dispose of the cups and packaging after the service.

Paper bags for the disposal of cups and packaging are available on the communion rail. "Bread from the Lord's Table" and/or a pastoral blessing are available for children who do not yet commune.

Communion Server: The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you

Communion Receiver: Amen.

Music at Distribution:

8:00 - Organ – *Prelude* from *Partita on NICAEA* – arr. Charles Callahan

11:00 – Vocal Solo – *Mothering God* – Tom Trenny

See 8:00 offertory for text.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING *

Pastor: The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you

and keep you in his grace.

Assembly: Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING *

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

Assembly: Amen.

SENDING HYMN #414 *

Holy God, We Praise Your Name

DISMISSAL*

Pastor: Go in peace.

Serve in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Assembly: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE We Praise You, O God – Prelude to the Te Deum – Marc-Antoine Charpentier

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FLOWER DEDICATION:

The altar flowers are given in honor of our grandson, Joaquin Vargas, by Gary and Karen Qualmann.

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