



# The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 18, 2020

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# Holy Eucharist

*The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 24), October 18, 2020*

**Prelude**

*Meditation*

Peter Hurford (1930-2019)

*Celebrant  
People*

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

*Celebrant*

**A**lmighty 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.

*All*

Amen.

**Hymn 665**



1 All my hope on God is found - ed; he doth still my  
2 Mor - tal pride and earth - ly glo - ry, sword and crown be -  
3 God's great good - ness e'er en - dur - eth, deep his wis - dom  
\*4 Dai - ly doth the al - might - y Giv - er boun - teous gifts on  
5 Still from earth to God e - ter - nal sac - ri - fice of



1 trust re - new, me through change and chance he  
2 tray our trust; though with care and toil we  
3 pass - ing thought: splen - dor, light, and life at -  
4 us be - stow; his de - sire our soul de -  
5 praise be done, high a - bove all prais - es



1 guid - eth, on - ly good and on - ly true. God un -  
2 build them, tower and tem - ple fall to dust. But God's  
3 tend him, beau - ty spring - eth out of nought. Ev - er -  
4 ligh - teth, plea - sure leads us where we go. Love doth  
5 prais - ing for the gift of Christ, his Son. Christ doth



1 known, he a - lone calls my heart to be his own.  
2 power, hour by hour, is my tem - ple and my tower.  
3 more from his store new-born worlds rise and a - dore.  
4 stand at his hand; joy doth wait on his com - mand.  
5 call one and all: ye who fol - low shall not fall.

*Celebrant  
People*

The Lord be with you.  
And also with you.

*Celebrant*

Let us pray.

**A**lmighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the Nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever..

*People*

Amen.

# Gloria

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace to all peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly  
One, al - mighty God, Cre - a - tor, we wor - ship you, we  
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus  
Christ, on - ly Child of God, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy  
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Most High: re -  
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,  
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most  
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the  
glo - ry of God our Cre - a - tor. A - men.

# The Liturgy of the Word

The First Reading

Isaiah 45:1-7

**T**hus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped to subdue nations before him and strip kings of their robes, to open doors before him—and the gates shall not be closed: “I will go before you and level the mountains, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron, I will give you the treasures of darkness and riches hidden in secret places, so that you may know that it is I, the Lord, the God of Israel, who call you by your name. For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I surname you, though you do not know me. I am the Lord, and there is no other; besides me there is no god. I arm you, though you do not know me, so that they may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is no one besides me; I am the Lord, and there is no other. I form light and create darkness, I make weal and create woe; I the Lord do all these things.”

*Lector*           The Word of the Lord.  
*People*           Thanks be to God.

Let us pray this portion of Psalm 96 together.

- 1   Sing to God a new song; \*  
      sing to God all the whole earth.
- 2   Sing and bless God's holy Name; \*  
      proclaim the good news of salvation from day to day.
- 3   Declare God's glory among the nations, \*  
      God's wonders among all peoples.
- 4   For God is great and greatly to be praised, \*  
      more to be feared than all gods.
- 5   As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols, \*  
      but it is God who made the heavens.
- 6   Oh, the majesty and magnificence of God's presence! \*  
      Oh, the power and the splendor of God's sanctuary!
- 7   Ascribe to God, you families of the peoples, \*  
      ascribe to God honor and power.
- 8   Ascribe due honor to God's holy Name; \*  
      bring offerings and come into the courts of praise.
- 9   Worship the Most High in the beauty of holiness; \*  
      may the whole earth stand in awe.

The Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

**P**aul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the Word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the

people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

*Lector*  
*People*

The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

Hymn 706

1 In your mer - cy, Lord, you called me, taught my  
 2 Lord, I did not free - ly choose you till by  
 3 Now my heart sets none a - bove you, for your

sin - filled heart and mind, else this world had  
 grace you set me free; for my heart would  
 grace a - lone I thirst, know - ing well, that

still en - thrall'd me, and to glo - ry kept me blind.  
 still re - fuse you had your love not cho - sen me.  
 if I love you, you, O Lord, have loved me first.

The Gospel

Matthew 22:15-22

*Deacon*  
*People*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.  
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?” But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, “Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax.” And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, “Whose head is this, and whose title?” They answered, “The emperor’s.” Then he said to them, “Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor’s, and to God the things that are God’s.” When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

*Deacon*  
*People*

The Gospel of the Lord.  
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Daniel Justin

*A moment of silent reflection is observed.*

## The Nicene Creed

*People*        **W**e 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.

## The Prayers of the People

*Leader*        In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, Lord, have mercy.

*Leader*        For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

*People*        **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader*        For all bishops, priests and deacons, and for the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

*People*        **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader*        For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

*People*        **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader*        For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

*People*        **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader*        For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

*People*        **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader*        For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, undocumented immigrants, and asylum seekers, for those who are homeless, unemployed, facing financial insecurity, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

*People*        **Lord, have mercy.**

*Leader*        For this congregation, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do. We offer thanksgiving for our many ministries and outreach partners. We especially pray for the work of the North Hollywood Interfaith Food Pantry, Episcopal Relief and Development, the Episcopal Public Policy Network, and all

the parishes and missions of the Diocese of Los Angeles. Are there other thanksgivings? (pause), we pray to you, O Lord.

*People* Lord, have mercy.

*Leader* For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace and health, we pray to you, O Lord.

*People* Lord, have mercy.

*Leader* For Rhett Dupke & the Dupke Family, Jared Lipscomb, Mike Mason, Marian, James & Kathleen Quinlan, Archie Sunga, Matthew Weatherman, those affected by wildfires in California and other states, and those who have asked for our prayers but prefer to remain anonymous. We also pray for those on our long-term prayer list. Please add those in your own prayers, (pause), we pray to you, O Lord.

*People* Lord, have mercy.

*Leader* For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal. Today we remember Mary Best and Robert Goodwin. Please add those in your own prayers, (pause), we pray to you, O Lord.

*People* Lord, have mercy.

*Leader* Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

*People* To you, O Lord our God.

*All join in the concluding doxology*

**F**or yours is the majesty, O Father, Son and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. Amen.

*Leader* Let us pray for all those affected by the coronavirus.

*People* O Most mighty and merciful God, in this time of grievous sickness, we flee to you for comfort. Deliver us, we pray, from our peril; give strength and skill to all those who minister to the sick; prosper the means made use for their cure, and grant that, perceiving how frail and uncertain our life is, we may apply our hearts to that heavenly wisdom which leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Leader* Let us pray for the upcoming election.

*People* Almighty God, to whom we must account for all our powers and privileges: Guide the people of the United States in the election of officials and representatives; that, by faithful administration and wise laws, the rights of all may be protected and our nation be enabled to fulfill your purposes; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Confession of Sin

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*We make our common confession, praying together*

**M**ost 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.

*Celebrant*

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.

*People*

**Amen.**

**The Peace**

*Celebrant*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*

**And also with you.**

**Hymn 591**



1 O God of earth and al - tar, bow down and hear our cry,  
2 From all that ter - ror teach - es, from lies of tongue and pen,  
3 Tie in a liv - ing teth - er the prince and priest and thrall,



our earth - ly ru - lers fal - ter, our peo - ple drift and die;  
from all the eas - y speech - es that com - fort cru - el men,  
bind all our lives to - geth - er, smite us and save us all;



the walls of gold en - tomb us, the swords of scorn di - vide,  
from sale and prof - a - na - tion of hon - or, and the sword,  
in ire and ex - ul - ta - tion a - flame with faith, and free,



take not thy thun - der from us, but take a - way our pride.  
from sleep and from dam - na - tion, de - liv - er us, good Lord!  
lift up a liv - ing na - tion, a sin - gle sword to thee.

**The Great Thanksgiving**

*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 God thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant*

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

*Here the Celebrant says a proper preface.*

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:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and  
 might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est. Blessed is the one who  
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.\_\_\_\_\_

*The People may stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues*

**W**e give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

*People*

**We remember his death,  
 We proclaim his resurrection,  
 We await his coming in glory;**

*Celebrant*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Saint Michael, the Angels, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.

*All*

**Amen.**

*Celebrant*

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

*All*

**O**ur 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 Fraction**

*A period of silence is kept, during which the Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
 Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;  
 there - fore let us keep the feast.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*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*

**M**y Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen

**Postcommunion Prayer**

*Celebrant*

Let us pray.

*All*

**E**ternal 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**

*Celebrant*

**T**he peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

*People*

## Hymn 684

1 O for a clos - er walk with God, a calm and heaven - ly frame,  
2 Where is the bless - ed - ness I knew when first I saw the Lord?  
3 Re - turn, O ho - ly Dove, re - turn, sweet mes - sen - ger of rest;  
4 The dear - est i - dol I have known, what - e'er that i - dol be,  
5 So shall my walk be close with God, calm and se - rene my frame;

1 a light to shine up - on the road that leads me to the Lamb!  
2 Where is the soul - re - fresh - ing view of Je - sus and his word?  
3 I hate the sins that made thee mourn, and drove thee from my breast.  
4 help me to tear it from thy throne, and wor - ship on - ly thee.  
5 so pur - er light shall mark the road that leads me to the Lamb.

## The Dismissal

*Deacon*  
*People*

Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the spirit.  
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

*Fanfare*

Kenneth Leighton (1929-1988)

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