

# Order of Service: The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 11, 2020

**Prelude** *Blessed Are the Peacemakers*

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## Opening Acclamation

*Celebrant* Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

*People* **Glory to God forever and ever.**

## Collect for Purity *(people muted)*

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.**

## Hymn *Joyful, joyful, we adore thee*

Hymn to Joy

*(Mute your device and sing loudly and joyfully)*



- 1 Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;
- 2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heaven re - flect thy rays,
- 3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,



hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.  
stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.  
well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness; drive the dark of doubt a - way;  
Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, bloom - ing mea - dow, flash - ing sea,  
Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our Bro - ther: all who live in love are thine;



giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.  
chant - ing bird and flow - ing foun - tain, call us to re - joice in thee.  
teach — us how to love each o - ther, lift us to the joy di - vine.

**Collect of the Day** (*people muted*)

*Celebrant* God be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Bountiful God, you call us to labor with you in tending the earth: Where we lack love, open our hearts to the world; where we waste, give us discipline to conserve; where we neglect, awaken our minds and wills to insight and care. May we with all your creatures honor and serve you in all things, for you live and reign with Christ, Redeemer of all, and with your Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

**A Reading** *Ezekiel 47:6-12* (*people muted*)

A reading from the Book of Ezekiel.

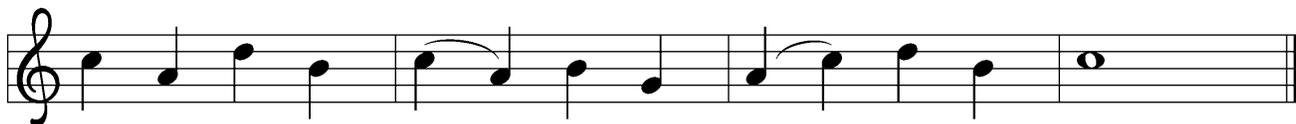
He said to me, "Mortal, have you seen this?" Then he led me back along the bank of the river. As I came back, I saw on the bank of the river a great many trees on the one side and on the other. He said to me, "This water flows toward the eastern region and goes down into the Arabah; and when it enters the sea, the sea of stagnant waters, the water will become fresh. Wherever the river goes, every living creature that swarms will live, and there will be very many fish, once these waters reach there. It will become fresh; and everything will live where the river goes. People will stand fishing beside the sea from En-ge-di to En-eglaim; it will be a place for the spreading of nets; its fish will be of a great many kinds, like the fish of the Great Sea. But its swamps and marshes will not become fresh; they are to be left for salt. On the banks, on both sides of the river, there will grow all kinds of trees for food. Their leaves will not wither nor their fruit fail, but they will bear fresh fruit every month, because the water for them flows from the sanctuary. Their fruit will be for food, and their leaves for healing."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 33**

Thomas Pavlechko  
Harlee Balajadia, Cantor

**RERAIN**



Hap-py is the na - tion whose God is the LORD!

Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous; praise is fitting for the upright.  
Praise the Lord with the lyre; make music for God with a ten stringed harp.  
Sing for the Lord a new song; play your instrument skillfully with joyful sounds.  
For your word, O Lord, is right, and faithful are all your works.

**RERAIN**

You love righteousness and justice; your steadfast love fills the whole earth.  
By your word were the heavens made, by the breath of your mouth all the hosts of heaven.  
You gather up the waters of the ocean as in a water-skin and store up the depths of the sea.  
Let all the earth fear the Lord; let all who dwell in the world stand in awe.

**RERAIN**

For God spoke, and it came to pass; God commanded, and it stood fast.  
The Lord brings the will of the nations to nothing and thwarts the designs of the peoples.  
Your will, O Lord, stands fast forever, and the designs of your heart from age to age.  
Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord! Happy the people chosen to be God's heritage!  
**RERAIN**

**A Reading** *Romans 8:18–23 (people muted)*

A reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. or the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies.

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**Anthem** *Be still, My soul*

Jean Sibelius arr. Mack Wilberg

Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side.  
With patience bear thy cross of grief or pain.  
Leave to thy God to order and provide;  
In ev'ry change he faithful will remain.  
Be still, my soul; thy best, thy heav'nly Friend  
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

Be still, my soul: the hour is hast'ning on  
When we shall be forever with the Lord.  
When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,  
Sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.  
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past,  
All safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

Be still, my soul: thy God doth undertake  
To guide the future as he has the past.  
Thy hope, thy confidence let nothing shake;  
All now mysterious shall be bright at last.  
Be still, my soul; the waves and winds still know  
His voice who ruled them while he dwelt below.

**The Gospel** *Mark 16:14–15 (people muted)*

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Later he appeared to the eleven themselves as they were sitting at the table; and he upbraided them for their lack of faith and stubbornness, because they had not believed those who saw him after he had risen. And he said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation.

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

**The Sermon** *(people muted)*

The Rev. Nancy Frausto

*Silence follows the sermon.*

**Affirmation of Faith: Baptismal Covenant**

*(people muted)*

*Celebrant* Do you believe in God the Father?

*People* **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

*Celebrant* Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

*People* **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

*Celebrant* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

*People* **I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

*Celebrant* Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant* Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant* Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant* Will you cherish the wondrous works of God, and protect the beauty and integrity of all creation?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant* Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant* Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

**Pledge Talk**

Cecelia Lynch

**Anthem** *You raise me up*

Brendan Graham arr. Tom Fettke  
Harlee Balajadia, Soloist

When I am down, and, oh my soul, so weary;  
When troubles come and my heart burdened be;  
Then I am still and wait here in the silence  
Until you come and sit awhile with me.

There is no life, no life without its hunger.  
Each restless heart beats so imperfectly.  
But when You come, and I am filled with  
wonder, Sometimes I think I glimpse eternity.

You raise me up so I can stand on mountains.  
You raise me up to walk on stormy seas.  
I am strong when I am on Your shoulders.  
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**The Prayers of the People**

*The Leader and People pray responsively.*

*Leader* Let us pray for the revealing of the reign of God in the world, now and always.

Creator of earth, sea, and sky, kindle the fire of your Spirit within us that we may commit to heal and defend the earth; pour your blessing upon all in leadership that they might honor your creation, and for all who work for the good of the planet.

*Silence*

God, Giver of life, **Hear our prayer.**

Source of life, heal and redeem the wounds of your creation, and visit the places and people who suffer from our indifference, neglect, and greed.

*Silence*

God, Giver of life, **Hear our prayer.**

Giver of all good gifts, awaken us daily to our dependence upon your bounty, and make us always thankful for the abundance of your blessings in our lives and in the world you have made.

*Silence*

God, Giver of life, **Hear our prayer.**

Comforter of all the earth, sustain all those who desire or need your presence and help [especially \_\_\_\_\_].

*Silence*

God, Giver of life, **Hear our prayer.**

Rock and refuge of all your creatures, receive into everlasting mercy all those who have died [especially \_\_\_\_\_].

*Silence*

God, Giver of life, **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Great Spirit God, we give you thanks for another day on this earth. We give you thanks for this day to enjoy the compassionate goodness of you, our Creator. We acknowledge with one mind our respect and gratefulness to all the sacred cycle of life. Bind us together in the circle of compassion to embrace all living creatures and one another. **Amen.**

*(Gichi Manidoo, Native American/Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian Liturgies, prepared for the 76th General Convention of the Episcopal Church, Anaheim, California, July 2009)*

## **Confession and Absolution**

*Presider* Let us confess to God our sins against our fellow creatures.

*Silence*

**Merciful and sustaining God, we have sinned against you. We confess our lack of gratitude for the beauty and bounty of your creation: teach us to see that your earth sustains us and all that lives. We confess that we have misused your earth: grant us an amendment of life. We confess that we have been intemperate in our appetites: strengthen us in self-control. We confess that we have taken the abundance of your world for granted: make us urgent now for its protection. Forgive and renew us now through our Savior Jesus Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit, with whom you live and reign, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

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.**

## **Anthem *Panis angelicus***

César Franck

*Panis angelicus  
fit panis hominum;  
Dat panis cœlicus  
figuris terminum:  
O res mirabilis!  
Manducat Dominum  
pauper, servus et humilis.*

Thus Angels' Bread is made  
the Bread of man today:  
the Living Bread from heaven  
with figures dost away:  
O wondrous gift indeed!  
the poor and lowly may  
upon their Lord and Master feed.

*As we pray the words of The Great Thanksgiving, know that we all are woven together in the Body of Christ as the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood unites us in heart and spirit.*

**The Great Thanksgiving** (*Book of Common Prayer, Eucharistic Prayer A*)

*Celebrant* God 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 our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Presider and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Presider continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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. **Amen.**

**Lord's Prayer** (*people un-muted*)

**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.**

As this broken bread was scattered over the mountains,  
And was gathered together to become one,  
So let Your Body of Faithful be gathered together  
From the ends of the earth into Your kingdom. (*Didache, 1st Century*)

**Prayer for Spiritual Communion**

**In union, Blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of Your Church where Your blessed body and blood are offered, I long to offer You praise and thanksgiving. I believe that You are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray You to come into my heart, my soul, and my mind. I unite myself to You, and embrace You with all the affections of my soul. Let nothing separate me from You; let me serve You in this life until, by Your grace, I join You in Your reign of unending peace. Amen.**

*(St. Augustine of Hippo)*

**Blessing of Birthdays and Anniversaries**

## **The Blessing**

May God give you grace never to sell yourself short, grace to risk something big for something good, and grace to remember that the world is too dangerous for anything but truth and too small for anything but love. In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

## **Announcements**

### **The Peace**

*Celebrant*     The peace of Christ be always with you.

*People*        **And also with you.**

**Postlude** *I Sing the Mighty Power of God*

arr. Charlie Miller  
Dr. Gukhui Han, Piano