

TODAY'S MINISTERS

Celebrant
The Rev. Peter Coelho, Rector

Preacher
The Rev. Lauren Scharf, Staff Priest

Assisting Priest
The Rev. Joel Scandrett, Liturgical Assistant

Additional Bread Bearer
The Rev. Karen Woods, Liturgical Assistant

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Attention Parents

Several spaces are available for nursing mothers including:
Room 105 in the education wing (comfortable chairs & video feed of the service), the family restroom close to the reception desk (completely private with nursing chair), and the main entryway in the old narthex (semi-private with comfortable chairs for nursing).

Our nursery is available 15 mins prior to the service for infants – 3 yrs (Rooms 101 & 102). Parents who would like them to receive Communion are invited to pick them up at the Peace.

After the Children's Talk, children 4 yrs – 5th grade may process to our Kids' Church program in the Children's Chapel (Hunt Rooms).

They will be brought back after the Peace.

THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AT
CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION

A Worshipping Community; Equipping God's People; Sharing Christ's Healing with a Broken World

THE ORDER FOR A SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE PRELUDE

"Psalm 5"

by Joel Littlepage

1) Listen, God, please pay attention; can you make sense of all my groans and my cries? Listen, God, I need your help; every morning you'll hear me at it again.

Refrain

Every morning I lay out the pieces of my life

on your alter.

Every morning I lay out the pieces of my life on your alter and watch for fire to descend.

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THE ACCLAMATION

Celebrant People Blessed be God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant and People

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.

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

The Celebrant prays

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

Matthew 22:37-40

THE TRISAGION

Celebrant Holy God,

Holy and Mighty,

Holy Immortal One,

People Have mercy upon us.

Please join in singing.

SONGS OF WORSHIP

"Goodness of God"

by Jenn Johnson, Ed Cash, Jason Ingram, Ben Fielding, Brian Johnson

1) I love you, Lord.

Oh, your mercy never fails me.

All my days I've been held in your hands.

From the moment that I wake up until I lay my head,

I will sing of the goodness of God

Refrain All my life you have been faithful.

All my life you have been so, so good. With every breath that I am able, I will sing of the goodness of God.

2) I love your voice.

You have led me through the fire. In darkest night you are close like no other. I've known you as a father, I've known you as a friend. I have lived in the goodness of God.

Bridge Your goodness is running after,

it's running after me.

Your goodness is running after,

it's running after me. With my life laid down, I'm surrendered now; I give you everything.

Your goodness is running after,

it's running after me.

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1) Come, thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace! Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above! Praise the mount! O fix me on it, mount of God's unchanging love.

- 2) Here I find my greatest treasure, hither, by thy help, I've come, and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God. He, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.
- 3) Oh, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee! Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love! Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above!

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you. People And with your spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and, that we may receive what we ask, teach us by your Holy Spirit to ask only those things that are pleasing to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the same Spirit lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

The People are seated.

THE CHILDREN'S TALK The Rev. Lauren Scharf

Children through 5th grade are invited to come forward. Afterwards, parents may bring infants – age 3 to the nursery (Rooms 101 and 102). Children age 4 – 5th grade are invited to process to our Kids' Church program in the Children's Chapel (Hunt Rooms). They will be brought back after the Peace.

The People stand and sing as the Children process.

"Spirit of the Living God"

by Daniel Iverson

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on us.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on us.

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The People are seated.

THE LESSONS

THE FIRST READING Deuteronomy 30:9-14

30 ⁹and the LORD your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all your undertakings, in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your soil. For the LORD will again take delight in prospering you, just as he delighted in prospering your ancestors, ¹⁰when you obey the LORD your God by observing his commandments and decrees that are written in this book of the law, because you turn to the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

¹¹Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. ¹²It is not in heaven, that you should say, "Who will go up to heaven for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?" ¹³Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, "Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?" ¹⁴No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Please stand and say the psalm as directed.

PSALM 25:1-14

- ¹ Unto you, O LORD, will I lift up my soul; my God, I have put my trust in you; *
 - O let me not be ashamed, neither let my enemies triumph over me.
- ² For all those who hope in you shall not be ashamed, * but those who deal untruly shall be put to confusion.
- ³ Show me your ways, O LORD, * and teach me your paths.
- ⁴ Lead me forth in your truth, and teach me, *
 for you are the God of my salvation; in you has been my hope all the day long.
- Call to remembrance, O LORD, your tender mercies, * and your loving-kindnesses, which have been from of old.
- O remember not the sins and offenses of my youth, *
 but according to your mercy think on me, O LORD, in your goodness.
- ⁷ Gracious and righteous is the LORD; * therefore will he teach sinners in the way.
- ⁸ Those who are meek shall he guide in judgment, * and those who are gentle shall he teach his way.
- All the paths of the LORD are mercy and truth * to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.
- For your Name's sake, O LORD, * forgive my sin, for it is great.
- Who is the one who fears the LORD? *
 He shall teach him in the way that he shall choose.
- He shall dwell at ease, *
 and his seed shall inherit the land.
- ¹³ The LORD reveals his secret counsel to those who fear him, * and he will show them his covenant.
- My eyes are ever looking to the LORD, * for he shall pluck my feet out of the net.

The People are seated.

THE SECOND READING Colossians 1:1-14

1 ¹Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, ²To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

³In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁴for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, ⁵because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel ⁶that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. ⁷This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, ⁸and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

⁹For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, ¹⁰so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. ¹¹May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully ¹²giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

THE GOSPEL Luke 10:25-37

Assisting Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Continued

10 ²⁵Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ²⁶He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" ²⁷He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." ²⁸And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

²⁹But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" ³⁰Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. ³¹Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. ³²So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. ³⁴He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. ³⁵The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' ³⁶Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" ³⁷He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

Assisting Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON
The Rev. Lauren Scharf

THE NICENE CREED

Celebrant Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

Celebrant and People

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten 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 from the Holy Spirit and 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,

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.

Please kneel as you are able.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

After each petition

Intercessor Lord, in your mercy People Hear our prayer.

and his kingdom will have no end.

The Celebrant concludes

Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SIN

Assisting Priest Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

A brief silence will be kept.

Assisting Priest and People

Most 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.

The Celebrant stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please stand.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with your spirit.

The Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Parents who would like their infant -3 year olds to receive Communion are invited to pick them up at this time.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OFFERTORY

The Celebrant says a sentence of Scripture.

OFFERTORY HYMN

Please stand and sing as the offering plates are passed and the Table is prepared.

"Hymn of the Holy Spirit"

by Brenton Brown, Chris Tomlin, Jason Ingram, Pat Barrett

- 1) Holy Spirit, guide my vision, help me see the way you see. Always Jesus, ever Jesus, Christ in all as Christ in me.
- 2) Holy Spirit, guide my speaking, words of grace and truth abound. Let my lips be filled with stories of the mercy that I've found.

Refrain

You're the light, you're my path, you're the Shepherd of my soul. All I am, all I have, Holy Spirit, lead me on.

- 3) Holy Spirit, guide my hearing, wake my ears to words you speak. In the thunder, in the stillness, let your voice be clear to me; let your voice be clear to me. *Refrain*
- 4) Holy Spirit, lead me onward, walking through the great unknown trusting, leaning, holding, clinging till the day you lead me home. *Refrain*

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The People sing as the tithes and offerings are brought forward.

THE DOXOLOGY Old Hundredth

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise him, all creatures here below.

Praise him above, ye heav'nly host.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE SURSUM CORDA

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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:

THE SANCTUS

Celebrant and People

Murphy setting

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna! in the highest!

Blessed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna! in the highest!

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THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

The People may kneel or remain standing.

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

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.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us,

we are bold to pray,

Celebrant and People

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 FRACTION

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed,

once for all upon the cross.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

The Celebrant gives this invitation

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.

THE AGNUS DEI All sing together

Elohim setting

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: grant us, grant us your peace.

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The People are seated.

All baptized Christians are invited to come forward to receive the bread and wine. Inform the Bread Bearer if you need a gluten-free wafer.

If for any reason you are not receiving today, you are invited to come forward to receive a blessing. Simply cross your arms over your chest and the Minister will know to give you a blessing instead of the bread and wine.

COMMUNION SONGS

"Goodness of God"

by Jenn Johnson, Ed Cash, Jason Ingram, Ben Fielding, Brian Johnson

Refrain

All my life you have been faithful. All my life you have been so, so good. With every breath that I am able, I will sing of the goodness of God.

"Come, All Who Are Weary"

by Berit Goetz, Isaac Wardell, and Paul Zach

- 1) Come, all who are weary, I will give you rest. Come, all who are striving, lean upon my breast; for my yoke is easy and my burden light. O come, all who are weary, come.
- 2) Come, all who are wounded, crying out "How long?" Come, all who are waiting for the break of dawn. Darkness will not hide me forever from your sight. O come, all who are wounded, come.
- 3) Come, all who are weeping, all whose hope is gone. Come, all who are silent, all who've lost their song. Your every tear is numbered, your every sorrow known. O come, all who are weeping, come.

Tag O come, all who are weary, wounded, and weeping. All of God's children, come.

"Build My Life"

by Brett Younker, Karl Martin, Kirby Kaple, Matt Redman, Pat Barrett

- 1) Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing, worthy of all the praise we could ever bring, worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe: We live for you.
- 2) Jesus the name above ev'ry other name, Jesus the only one who could ever save, worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe: We live for you. We live for you.

Refrain Holy, there is no one like you;

there is none beside you.

Open up my eyes in wonder and show me who you are and fill me with your heart and

lead me in your love to those around me.

Bridge I will build my life upon your love;

it is a firm foundation.

I will put my trust in you alone,

and I will not be shaken.

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THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

The People may stand or kneel.

Celebrant and People

Heavenly Father,

we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious body and blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;

and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son,

and heirs of your eternal Kingdom.

And now Father,

send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,

nim, to you, and to the Hory Spirit,

be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The Celebrant gives this blessing

The 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, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Please stand

THE DISMISSAL

Assisting Priest Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power

of the Spirit. Alleluia, alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Thank you for worshipping with us!
Please join us after the service in Bailey Hall
for Hospitality Hour.

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