

ST LUKE'S

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Atlanta, Georgia

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST:

August 1, 2021 | 10 AM

THE WORD OF GOD

Voluntary

Schmücke dich, o liebe seele, BWV 654

J.S.Bach

Hymn in Procession

Hymnal 48 "O day of radiant gladness"

Es flog ein kleins Waldvoegelein

1 O day of ra - diant glad - ness, O day of joy and
2 This day at the cre - a - tion, the light first had its
3 This day, God's peo - ple meet - ing, his Ho - ly Scrip - ture
4 That light our hope sus - tain - ing, we walk the pil - grim

light, O balm of care and sad - ness, most
birth; this day for our sal - va - tion Christ
hear; his liv - ing pres - ence greet - ing, through
way, at length our rest at - tain - ing, our

beau - ti - ful, most bright; this day the high and
rose from depths of earth; this day our Lord vic -
Bread and Wine made near. We jour - ney on, be -
end - less Sab - bath day. We sing to thee our

low - ly, through a - ges joined in tune, sing,
to - rious the Spi - rit sent from heaven, and
liev - ing, re - newed with heaven - ly might, from
prais - es, O Fa - ther, Spi - rit, Son; the

"Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," to the great God Tri - une.
thus this day most glo - rious a tri - ple light was given.
grace more grace re - ceiv - ing on this blest day of light.
Church her voice up - rais - es to thee, blest Three in One.

The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Blessed be God: holy eternal Majesty, holy incarnate Word, and holy abiding Spirit.

People: **And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.**

The 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.**

Hymn of Praise

“O God, beyond all praising”

Thaxted

O God be-yond all prais-ing, we wor-ship you to - day and
sing the love a - ma-zing that songs can-not re - pay; for we can on-ly
won-der at ev - 'ry gift you send, at bless-ings with-out num-ber and
mer-cies with-out end: we lift our hearts be - fore you and wait u-pon your
word, we hon - or and a - dore you, our great and might-y Lord.

Music: THAXTED, Gustav Holst, 1921, alt.

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The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: God be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson: Ephesians 4:1-16 (*seated*)

Ann Cramer

I plead with you, then, in the name of our Redeemer to lead a life worthy of your calling. Treat one another charitably, in complete selflessness, gentleness and patience. Do all you can to preserve the unity of the Spirit through the peace that binds you together. There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called into one hope when you were called. There is one Savior, one faith, one baptism, one God and Creator of all, who is over all, who works through all and is within all. Each of us has received God's grace in the measure in which Christ has bestowed it. Thus you find scripture saying, “You ascended on high, leading captives in your train, and giving gifts to people.” “You ascended”—what does this mean but that Christ first descended into the lower regions of the earth? The One who descended is the very One who ascended high above the heavens in order to fill the whole universe. And to some, the gift they were given is that they should be apostles; to some, prophets; to some, evangelists; to some, pastors and teachers. These gifts were given to equip fully the holy ones for the work of service, and to build up the body of Christ— until we all attain unity in our faith and in our knowledge of the Only Begotten of God, until we become mature, attaining to the whole

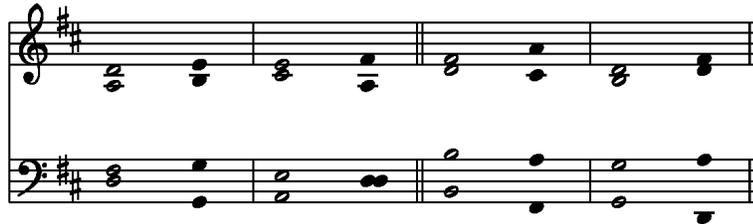
measure of the fullness of Christ. Let us then be children no longer, tossed here and there, carried about by every wind of doctrine, or by human trickery or crafty, deceitful schemes. Rather, let us speak the truth in love, and grow to the full maturity of Christ, the head. Through Christ, the whole body grows. With the proper functioning of each member, firmly joined together by each supporting ligament, the body builds itself up in love.

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 51:1-13 (*sung by all, seated*)

chant: Jerome Webster Meachen



- 1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving- / kindness; *
in your great compassion blot out my of- / fenses.
- 2 Wash me through and through from my / wickedness *
and cleanse me from my / sin.
- 3 For I know my trans- / gressions, *
and my sin is ever be- / fore me.
- 4 Against you only have I / sinned *
and done what is evil in your / sight.
- 5 And so you are justified when you / speak *
and upright in your / judgment.
- 6 Indeed, I have been wicked from my / birth, *
a sinner from my mother's / womb.
- 7 For behold, you look for truth deep with- / in me, *
and will make me understand wisdom / secretly.
- 8 Purge me from my sin, and I shall be / pure; *
wash me, and I shall be clean in- / deed.
- 9 Make me hear of joy and / gladness, *
that the body you have broken may re- / joice.
- 10 Hide your face from my / sins *
and blot out all my in- / iquities.
- 11 Create in me a clean heart, O / God, *
and renew a right spirit with- / in me.
- 12 Cast me not away from your / presence *
and take not your holy Spirit from / me.
- † 13 Give me the joy of your saving help / again *
and sustain me with your bountiful / Spirit.

Sequence Hymn (*all stand*)

Hymnal 617 "Eternal Ruler of the ceaseless round"

Song 1

Unison or harmony

1 E - ter - nal Ru - ler of the cease - less round
 2 We would be one in ha - tred of all wrong,
 3 Oh, clothe us with thy heaven - ly ar - mor, Lord,

of cir - cling plan - ets sing - ing on their way,
 one in the love of all things sweet and fair,
 thy trust - y shield, thy word of love di - vine;

guide of the na - tions from the night pro - found
 one with the joy that break - eth in - to song,
 our in - spi - ra - tion be thy con - stant word,

in - to the glo - ry of the per - fect day;
 one with the grief that trem - bleth in - to prayer;
 we ask no vic - to - ries that are not thine;

rule in our hearts, that we may ev - er be
 one in the power that makes thy chil - dren free
 give or with - hold, let pain or plea - sure be;

guid - ed and strength - ened and up - held by thee.
 to fol - low truth, and thus to fol - low thee.
 e - nough to know that we are serv - ing thee.

The Holy Gospel: John 6:24-35

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When the people saw that neither Jesus nor the disciples were there, they got into those boats and crossed to Capernaum looking for Jesus. When they found Jesus on the other side of the lake, they said, “Rabbi, when did you get here?” Jesus answered them. “The truth of the matter is, you’re not looking for me because you’ve seen signs, but because you’ve eaten your fill of the bread. You shouldn’t be working for perishable food, but for life-giving food that lasts for all eternity; this the Chosen One can give you, for the Chosen One bears the seal of Abba God.” At this they said, “What must we do to perform the works of God?” Jesus replied, “This is the work of God: to believe in the one whom God has sent.” So they asked Jesus, “What sign are you going to give to show us that we should believe in you? What will you do? Our ancestors had manna to eat in the desert; as scripture says, ‘God gave them bread from heaven to eat.’” Jesus said to them, “The truth of the matter is, Moses hasn’t given you bread from heaven; yet my Abba gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is the one who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” “Teacher,” they said, “give us this bread from now on.” Jesus explained to them, “I am the bread of life. No one who comes to me will ever be hungry; no one who believes in me will be thirsty.”

The Gospel of our Savior.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

A period of silence is kept.

Tony Johns

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 from 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

Karl Wicker

Just as the Spirit intercedes with deep sighs, let us turn our hearts to God and offer prayers for all peoples.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, for Rob, our Bishop, for this holy gathering, and for the people of God in every place. God of love, God of wisdom, **hear our prayer.**

For our parish community of St. Luke's, that God will continue to guide us with wisdom and bless us with generosity and vitality in pursuit of the mission we have been given. God of love, God of wisdom, **hear our prayer.**

For all nations, peoples, tribes, clans, families, and their leaders, for Joe, our president, Brian, our governor, for all who serve in public office, that their leadership will serve for justice and equity in the world. God of love, God of wisdom, **hear our prayer.**

For Keisha, our mayor, for the city of Atlanta and those who live here, and for our families, companions, and all those we love. God of love, God of wisdom, **hear our prayer.**

For mercy, justice, health, dignity and peace throughout the world. God of love, God of wisdom, **hear our prayer.**

For good weather, for farmers and the abundant fruits of the earth, for peaceful times. God of love, God of wisdom, **hear our prayer.**

For all the blessings of this life, for our friends in San Pablo Parish in Camaguay, Cuba, and for the love that surrounds us on every side. God of love, God of wisdom, **hear our prayer.**

For all those in danger and need: the sick and the dying, our neighbors who are experiencing homelessness, poverty, for those who are oppressed, for those in prison and those who are held captive, and for their families we seek your wisdom and peace. God of love, God of wisdom, **hear our prayer.**

For all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; for those who have asked for our prayers Ed, Catherine, John, Hope, Bob, Joe, Mary, and David; give them courage and hope in their troubles. God of love, God of wisdom, **hear our prayer.**

For those who rest in Christ and for all the departed praying this day for John Divine McGee, Robert Livingston "Bo" Brown, Sarah Martin, Edward Perry Thomas, Richard Albert, and Mary McPherson Bernhardt Busko. God of love, God of wisdom, **hear our prayer.**

Concluding Collect

Blessed are you, God of growth and discovery; yours is the inspiration that has altered and changed our lives; yours is the power that has brought us to new dangers and opportunities. Set us, your new creation, to walk through this new world, watching and learning, loving and trusting, until your kingdom comes. **Amen.**

The Confession

Celebrant: We come seeking forgiveness for all we have failed to be and do as members of Christ's body.

People: **God is love and we are his children. There is no room for fear in love. We love because God loved us first.**

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

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 Absolution

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.**

The Peace

The Celebrant says to the people

Peace be in your thinking.

Peace be in your hearts.

Peace with all creation.

Peace with one another.

The Peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem

Bread of the World

John Abdenhour

Bryn Holdsworth, *soprano*

Bread of the world, in mercy broken,
Wine of the soul, in mercy shed,
By Whom the words of life were spoken,
And in Whose death our sins are dead.

Look on the heart by sorrow broken,
Look on the tears by sinners shed;
And be Thy feast to us the token,
That by Thy grace our souls are fed.

-Reginal Heber

Presentation Hymn

Hymn 711 "Seek ye first the kingdom of God"

Seek Ye First

1

Seek ye first the king - dom of God
Ask, and it shall be giv - en un - to you,

and its right - eous - ness, and all these things shall be
seek, and ye shall find, knock, and the door shall be

add - ed un - to you; Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!
o - pened un - to you; Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

Refrain

2

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

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, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

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:

Sanctus

Hymnal S-127 "Holy, holy, holy Lord"

Calvin Hampton

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. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Holy and gracious God: 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 maker and of all.

Jesus 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 Savior 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 Jesus 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:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's 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 Christ. 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 Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

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

The Lord's Prayer

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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. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant: The bread we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.

People: We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

The Invitation

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.

Communion

The communion table at St. Luke's is open to all believers, regardless of faith background. Gluten-free wafers are available. If you do not wish to receive the bread, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing. Cross your arms over your chest and the priest will know to offer a blessing.

During Communion

Hymnal 339 "Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness"

Schmücke dich

1 Deck thy - self, my soul, with glad - ness, leave the
 2 Sun, who all my life dost bright - en; Light, who
 3 Je - sus, Bread of Life, I pray thee, let me

gloom - y haunts of sad - ness, come in - to the day - light's
 dost my soul en - light - en; Joy, the best that an - y
 glad - ly here o - bey thee; nev - er to my hurt in -

splen - dor, there with joy thy prais - es ren - der
 know - eth; Fount, whence all my be - ing flow - eth:
 vit - ed, be thy love with love re - quit - ed;

un - to him whose grace un - bound - ed hath this
 at thy feet I cry, my Ma - ker, let me
 from this ban - quet let me mea - sure, Lord, how

won - drous ban - quet found - ed— high o'er all the heavens he
 be a fit par - ta - ker of this bless - ed food from
 vast and deep its trea - sure; through the gifts thou here dost

reign - eth, yet to dwell with thee he deign - eth.
 hea - ven, for our good, thy glo - ry, giv - en.
 give me, as thy guest in heaven re - ceive me.

Words: Johann Franck (1618-1677); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt.
 Music: *Schmücke dich*, melody Johann Crüger (1598-1662); harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906

1 I am the bread of life; they who
 2 (The) Bread that I will give is my
 3 (Un-) less you eat of the
 4 I am the re - sur - rec - tion,
 5 (Yes,) Lord, we be - lieve that

1 come to me shall not hun - ger; they who be -
 2 Flesh for the life of the world, and they who
 3 Flesh of the Son of Man and
 4 I am the life. They who be -
 5 you are the Christ, the

1 lieve in me shall not thirst. No one can come to
 2 eat of this bread, they shall live for
 3 drink of his Blood, you shall not have life with -
 4 lieve in me, e - ven if they
 5 Son of God who has

1 me un - less the Fa - ther draw them.
 2 ev - er. they shall live for ev - er.
 3 in you. you shall not have life with in you.
 4 die, they shall live for ev - er.
 5 come in - to the world.

Descant

And I will raise them up, and I will raise them

Refrain

And I will raise them up, and I will raise them

up, and I will raise them up on the
 up, and I will raise them up on the

last day. 5 Yes, day.
 last day. 2 The
 3 Un- day.
 4
 5 Yes,
 (♯)

The descant may be sung after stanzas 4 and 5.

The Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing. And the blessing of Christ's limitless grace, God's infinite love, and the Holy Spirit's relentless companionship, encompass you, and be with you always. Amen.

Hymn in Procession

Hymnal 527 "Singing songs of expectation"

Ton-y-botel



1 Sing - ing songs of ex - pec - ta - tion, on - ward
2 One the light of God's own pres - ence, o'er his
3 One the strain the lips of thou - sands lift as



goes the pil - grim band, through the night of
ran - somed peo - ple shed, chas - ing far the
from the heart of one; one the con - flict,



doubt and sor - row, march - ing to the prom - ised land.
gloom and ter - ror, bright - ening all the path we tread:
one the per - il, one the march in God be - gun:



Clear be - fore us through the dark - ness gleams and
one the ob - ject of our jour - ney, one the
one the glad - ness of re - joic - ing on the



burns the guid - ing light: trust - ing God we
faith which nev - er tires, one the ear - nest
far e - ter - nal shore, where the one al -



march to - geth - er step - ping fear - less through the night.
look - ing for - ward, one the hope our God in - spires.
might - y Fa - ther reigns in love for ev - er - more.

The Dismissal

Deacon: Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People: Thanks be to God!

Voluntary

A Trumpet Minuet

Alfred Hollins

Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, St. Luke's welcomes you!

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