



THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude

Acclamation in g minor
The St. Columba Ringers

Karen Thompson

Please stand as you are able.

Hymn 408

Sing praise to God who reigns above

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Opening Acclamation

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
Glory to God for ever and ever.

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 Savior. **Amen.**

Song of Praise

Glory to God in the highest

Robert J. Powell (b. 1932)

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace— to his peo-ple on
earth. Lord God, heaven-ly King, al - might-y— God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you— for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly son of the
Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb— of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have
mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -

ceive our prayer. For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the
 Lord, you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly
 Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

Collect of the Day

God be with you.
And also with you.
 Let us pray.

O God, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading *seated* Hebrews 4:12-16

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account. Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

For the Word of God in scripture, for the Word of God among us, for the Word of God within us,
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 90:12-17

Carl P. Daw, Jr. (b. 1944) and Kevin R. Hackett (b. 1956)

The People sing the antiphon after it has been introduced by the Choir and where indicated in the text.

Teach us to num-ber our days that we may ap-ply our hearts to wis-dom.

So teach us to number our days *
 that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.
 Return, O God; how long will you tarry? *
 Be gracious to your servants.
 Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; *
 so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life. *Antiphon*
 Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us *
 and the years in which we suffered adversity.
 Show your servants your works *
 and your splendor to their children.
 May the graciousness of our God be upon us; *
 prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork. *Antiphon*

Gospel Alleluia *standing as you are able*

Bernadette Farrell (b. 1957)

Al - le - lu - ia! Your words, O Lord, are spi - rit and life.

Al - le - lu - ia! O - pen our hearts to your word.——

The Gospel Mark 10:17-31

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

All repeat the sung Alleluia.

Sermon Father Mitchell Felton

Please be seated at the invitation of the preacher. A period of silence will be observed after the sermon.

The Nicene Creed *sung by all, standing as you are able*



We be-lieve in God the Fa-ther, God al-migh-ty, by whose plan
Christ, who on the cross for-sa-ken, like a lamb to slaugh-ter led,
We be-lieve in God the Spi-rit; in one Church, be-low, a-bove:
earth and heav-en sprang to be-ing, all cre-at-ed things be-gan.
suf-fered un-der Pon-tius Pi-late, he des-cend-ed to the dead.
saints of God in one com-mu-nion, one in ho-li-ness and love.
We be-lieve in Christ the Sa-rior, Son of— God in hu-man frame,
We be-lieve in Je-sus ri-sen, hea-ven's— king to rule and reign,
So by— faith, our sins for-giv-en, Christ our— Sa-rior, Lord and friend,
vir-gin born, the child of Ma-ry up-on whom the Spi-rit came.
to the Fa-ther's side as-cend-ed till as judge he comes a-gain.
we shall rise with him in glo-ry to the life that knows no end.

— Text: Timothy Dudley-Smith (1926–2024)

Prayers of the People

Please sit, stand, or kneel as we engage in a spiritual practice together.

Intercessor Our Prayers of the People are based on the Ignatian Examen and include silence and reflection. The silence after each petition gives space to consider our prayers to God.

Almighty God, we are in your presence. Your incarnate Son walked among us, and your Spirit abides with us this day. We give thanks for your love and grace. We abide in you.

We ask your grace, O God, to help us see where you are acting in our lives. Give us grace and wisdom in our daily life to see you in our communities, our nation, our world, and in all of creation.

Dear God, as we rest in your presence, we consider the week past. We remember moments that drew us near to you and moments when we felt distant from you. We feel the fullness of all you have gifted us.

We recall the needs of our community. We pray especially for . . . and for the needs we name aloud or in our hearts . . .

We give thanks for the beauty in our lives. We pray especially for . . . and for the thanksgivings we name aloud or in our hearts . . .

We remember all who have died and joined you in eternal life. We pray especially for . . . and for the departed we name aloud or in our hearts . . .

In the presence of one another and of you, O God, we look to the days ahead. We commit ourselves to life with you, our Almighty God, who is the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

We ask your forgiveness, loving God, for sins we have committed separating us from you and your creation, for sins in thought, word, and deed, for things done and left undone, and for the sins committed on our behalf. And we rejoice in the actions we have taken to draw near to you and your creation; guide us in the path of your will.

Presider Almighty God, receive our prayers and have mercy on us, and forgive you your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, and by the power of the Holy Spirit, grant you eternal life. **Amen.**

Peace *The Presider says to the People*

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

All greet one another in the name of Jesus Christ.

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

At the Offertory

The Holy Spirit inspires us to give generously, to extend Christ's mission in this place and the wider world. Please visit <http://tinyurl.com/GivetoSCEC> to make your offering, or you can text to give using your phone. Text SCEC and AMOUNT to 73256 (QR code in Connections) and you will receive a text with instructions.

Anthem

How firm a foundation

Dale Wood (1934–2003)

The St. Columba Singers

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in his excellent Word!
What more can he say than to you he hath said, who unto the Savior for refuge have fled?

“Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed, for I am thy God and will still give thee aid;
I’ll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand, upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

“When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie, my grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply.
The flames shall not hurt thee; I only design thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

“The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose I will not, I will not desert to its foes;
that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I’ll never, no, never, no, never forsake.”

— Text: John Rippon's Selection of Hymns

Please stand as you are able as the offering is brought forward and blessed.

The Great Thanksgiving

God be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them unto God.**

Let us give thanks to our Sovereign God. **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 you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Savior. 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 and Benedictus *sung by all*

Robert J. Powell (b. 1932)

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



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 Creator 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 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 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Jesus' 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 God, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

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

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.

Breaking of the Bread

The bread is broken and silence observed.

Fraction Anthem

The disciples knew the Lord Jesus Jack Warren Burnam (b. 1946)

The People sing the refrain with the Choir and where indicated in the text.



The bread which we break, Alleluia, is the communion of the Body of Christ. *Refrain*

One body are we, Alleluia, for though many we share one bread. *Refrain*

Invitation to Communion

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Whoever you are, wherever you find yourself on the journey of faith, you are welcome at Christ's table.

Communion

Christ welcomes all to communion. ■ Receive the bread in open and outstretched hands and sip the wine, guiding the chalice to your lips. ■ If you do not want to sip the wine, it is also perfectly appropriate to receive the bread only. We do not allow dipping the bread into the wine. ■ Respond to communion by saying "Amen." ■ If you prefer a blessing, cross your hands over your chest. ■ Gluten-free wafers are available at each communion station. ■ Baptism is offered several times a year; speak to a priest to learn more.

Laying on of Hands and Prayer for Healing

The Healing Rite is offered in St. Aiden's Chapel during Communion at the 9 and 11:15 am liturgies on the second and fourth Sundays of the month. Prayers for yourself or another are welcome. Enter the chapel through the door under the balcony to the right of the altar, or visit the station at the back of the nave.

Music Arioso Michael Helman (b. 1956)

Hymn 707 Take my life, and let it be Hollingside

Prayer after Communion *standing as you are able*

Let us pray.

Eternal God, 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 Savior. Amen.

Presider As we are gathered, fed, and sent by God, let us ask ourselves: With whom can I share the Good News? Whom will I invite to join us at this table?

Sending Forth of Eucharistic Ministers *when scheduled*

In the name of St. Columba's we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that N. may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

We who are many are one body, as we all share one bread, one cup.

Blessing

The People respond **Amen.**

Hymn 680 O God, our help in ages past *St. Anne*

Dismissal

The People respond **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Postlude Fugue in A Minor Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

Liturgical Note

Our worship this season is centered around spiritual practices. Sermons will feature spiritual practices that offer grounding and meaning. Prayers of the People are based on the Ignatian Examen, a practice commonly used among Jesuits (www.jesuits.org/spirituality/the-ignatian-examen). We will also have space for silence and contemplation. If this season sparks curiosity for you, learn about the spiritual practice available at St. Columba's including Centering Prayer and Labyrinth (www.columba.org/prayer).

Land Acknowledgement

We meet today on the traditional land of the first people of Nacotchtank, who were custodians of the land for thousands of years, caring for and nurturing it. We give thanks for their stewardship and lament the ways the Nacotchtank were removed from their ancestral home. We pray for all who live on this land and pay our respects to the native leaders past, present, and emerging.

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