ST. CHRISTOPHER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 3, 2022, 10:15 AM

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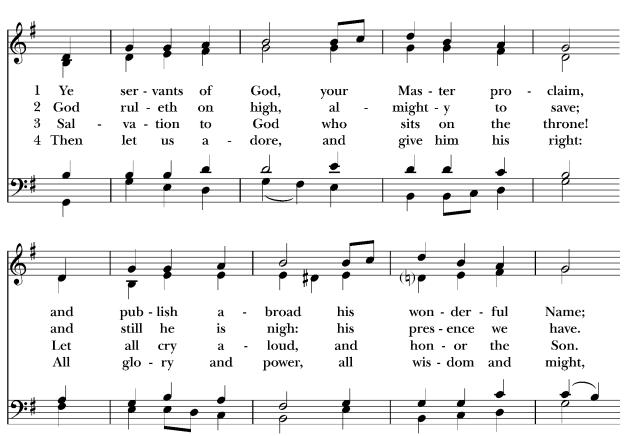
The Priest or Leader will say the items in regular type. You are invited to say aloud the items printed in boldface.

Prelude

All stand and join in singing,

OPENING HYMN

THE HYMNAL 1982 #535





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THE OPENING ACCLAMATION & COLLECT FOR PURITY

Presider: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Presider: 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 Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.





THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you

and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you

and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

The People are seated for the lessons.

THE FIRST READING

2 KINGS 5:1-14

A reading from the Second Book of Kings.

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." So Naaman went in and told his lord just what the girl from the land of Israel had said. And the king of Aram said, "Go then, and I will send along a letter to the king of Israel."

He went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten sets of garments. He brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you my servant Naaman, that you may cure him of his leprosy." When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may

learn that there is a prophet in Israel." So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

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

THE PSALM PSALM 30

1 I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have lifted me up * and have not let my enemies triumph over me.

- 2 O Lord my God, I cried out to you, * and you restored me to health.
- 3 You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead; * you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.
- 4 Sing to the Lord, you servants of his; * give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness.
- 5 For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, * his favor for a lifetime.
- 6 Weeping may spend the night, * but joy comes in the morning.
- 7 While I felt secure, I said,

- "I shall never be disturbed. *
 You, Lord, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains."
- 8 Then you hid your face, * and I was filled with fear.
- 9 I cried to you, O Lord; *
 I pleaded with the Lord, saying,
- 10 "What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit? * will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?
- 11 Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me; * O Lord, be my helper."
- 12 You have turned my wailing into dancing; * you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me with joy.
- 13 Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; * O Lord my God, I will give you thanks for ever.

THE SECOND READING

GALATIANS 6:(1-6)7-16

A reading from Pauls' Letter to the Galatians.

[My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. For all must carry their own loads.

Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher.] Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest-time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

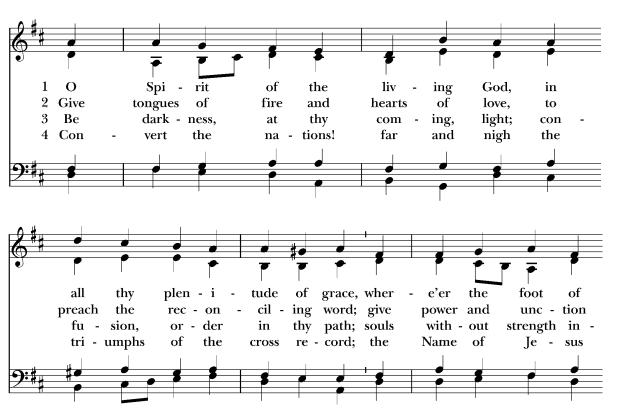
Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

All stand and join in singing,

SEQUENCE HYMN

THE HYMNAL 1982 #531





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The People remain standing for the Gospel,

THE GOSPEL LUKE 10:1-11, 16-20

The Gospeler introduces the Gospel and the People respond,

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.'

"Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me."

The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

At the invitation of the Preacher, the People are seated. THE HOMILY

THE REV. CANON TRACIE LITTLE

All stand as they are able. THE NICENE CREED

All: 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:
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

The People stand as they are able during the prayers. The Leader and People pray responsively.

Leader:

Friends, let us not grow weary in doing what is right. Let us appeal to God, who is our Strength, praying, "Hear, O Lord, *and have mercy upon us.*"

We ask you, O Lord of the harvest, to send out laborers into your harvest. Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that your Church might freely proclaim in word and deed, the good news of your Kingdom. *Silence*.

Hear, O Lord,

People: and have mercy upon us.

Leader: Give us, O God, the opportunity and the will to work for the good of all.

Give us hearts for the people you love.

Silence.

Hear, O Lord,

People: and have mercy upon us.

Leader: We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. In it Naaman was

cleansed from his disease. By it the whole earth is refreshed. Through it

we are reborn by the Holy Spirit.

Silence.

Hear, O Lord,

People: and have mercy upon us.

Leader: Gracious God, we thank you for our freedom. May we use it to bear one

another's burdens and to live in peace.

The People add their thanksgivings.

Silence.

Hear, O Lord.

People: and have mercy upon us.

Leader: O Lord, our helper, you turn wailing into dancing; you dress your children

in joy. We pray that you would restore to health all those who cry out to

you. We pray especially for Rachel, Mary, Carlton, Carol, Bill, Ken,

Merrilyn, Machelle, Dorothy, Mike, Lucinda, Barbara, Gwen, Nell, Pat,

Bob, Marty, Grace, John, and Bill, Jr.

The People add their petitions.

Silence.

Hear, O Lord,

People: and have mercy upon us.

Leader: Holy God, it is our joy that you write our names in heaven. In the

fullness of time, raise us, with all the saints, to eternal life that we might

give you thanks forever.

Silence.

Hear, O Lord,

People: and have mercy upon us.

Silence.

The Priest adds a concluding Collect.

All: Amen.

All stand or kneel as they are able.

The Confession & Absolution

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

All: 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.

Priest: 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.

All: Amen.

Priest: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

Priest: Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offering and come

into his courts. Psalm 96:8

OFFERTORY MUSIC

The offering plates are located near the entrance to the sanctuary. No plates will be passed, please place any offerings you have in a plate on your way into or out of the worship space. Thank you!

THE HOLY FUCHARIST

All stand or kneel as they are able.

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **People:** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Priest: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give

thanks to you, Father Almighty, 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 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:

SANCTUS

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Priest: 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:

All: Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Priest:

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.

All: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Priest: 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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Priest breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

Priest: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

Priest: 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 are invited to share in this sacred meal. This offering of the body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ is for you, a precious child of God.

At this time, if you are joining us in-person, please carefully form a single line in the middle aisle beginning with the front rows and working back as space allows.

The Priest will distribute communion wafers. A Lay Eucharistic Minister will distribute the wine from the common cup. Please drink from the common cup only – do not intinct (dip your bread)!

If you do not wish to receive either the wine or both the bread and wine, please cross your arms over your chest to indicate this and to receive a blessing.

COMMUNION MUSIC

All stand as they are able.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Presider: Let us pray.

All: God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup

of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.

Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may

proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in

the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

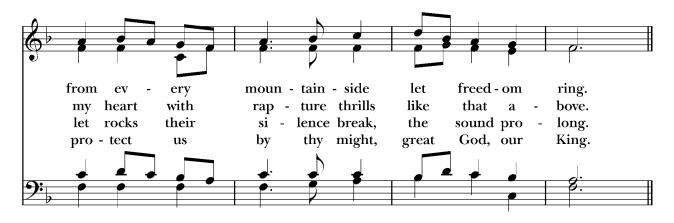
THE BLESSING

The Priest blesses the People and the People respond,

People: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN THE HYMNAL 1982 #717





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THE DISMISSAL

Presider: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

JOIN US FOLLOWING THIS SERVICE FOR COFFEE HOUR IN FELLOWSHIP HALL.
ALL ARE WELCOME!

ST. CHRISTOPHER'S CHURCH LEADERSHIP

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