

Proper 19 16th Sunday after Pentecost

The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

According to the Book of Common Prayer (using Expansive Language)



September 17, 2023 @ 10:00 AM

The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God by David & Suzanne Lees in loving memory of Bee Lees, Paul W. Lees, Mark Lees Peter W. Duncan

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Announcements

The people take their seats

PreludeVater unser im Himmelreich (BWV 636)JS Bach[Our Father in heaven]

Processional Hymn #516

Come down, O love divine

All standing as able



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The Liturgy of the Word

CelebrantBlessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.PeopleAnd blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.



The Collect of the Day

People

Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

The Lessons *The people sit*

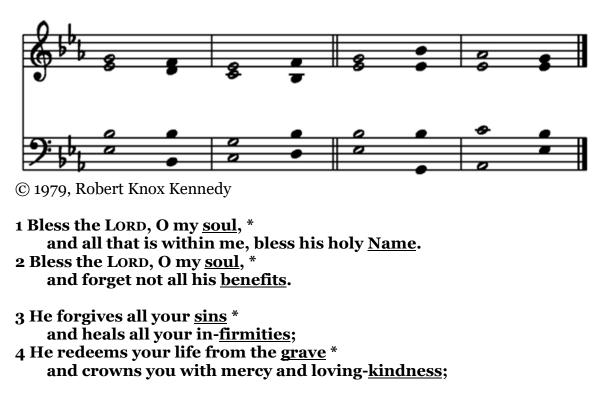
The First Lesson: Genesis 50:15-21

Reader A reading from the book of Genesis

Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, 'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Psalm 103:1-13 Benedic, anima mea



- 5 He satisfies you with good things, *

 and your youth is renewed like an <u>eagle's</u>.

 6 The LORD executes <u>righteousness</u> *

 and judgment for all who are op-<u>pressed</u>.
- 7 He made his ways known to <u>Moses</u> * and his works to the children of <u>Israel</u>. 8 The LORD is full of compassion and <u>mercy</u>, *
- slow to anger and of great <u>kindness</u>.
- 9 He will not always ac-<u>cuse</u> us, * nor will he keep his anger for <u>ever</u>.
 10 He has not dealt with us according to our <u>sins</u>, * nor rewarded us according to our <u>wickedness</u>.
- 11 For as the heavens are high above the <u>earth</u>, * so is his mercy great upon those who <u>fear</u> him.
 12 As far as the east is from the <u>west</u>, * so far has he removed our <u>sins</u> from us.
- 13 As a father cares for his <u>children</u>, * so does the LORD care for those who <u>fear</u> him.

The Second Lesson: Romans 14:1-12

Reader A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

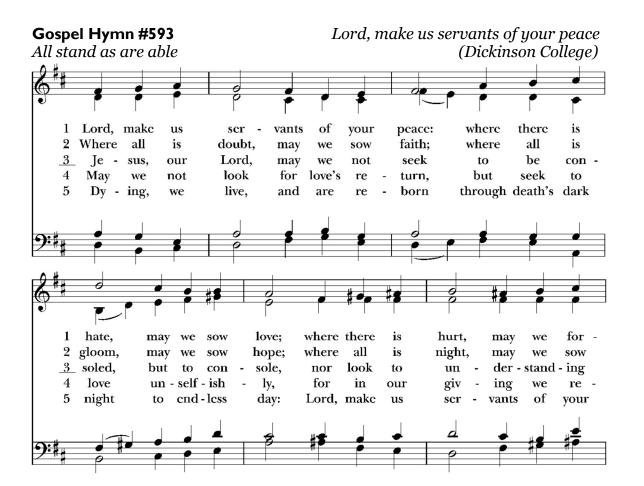
We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

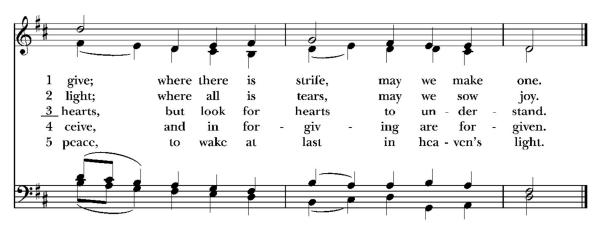
Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written,

"As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God."

So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

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





The Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35

CelebrantThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. MatthewPeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

"For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

CelebrantThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon *The people sit* The Rev. James R. Stambaugh

The Nicene Creed *Celebrant and People together, all standing*

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 of 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

The Leader and People pray responsively

Leader	Gracious and loving God who hears our prayers, we bring You our concerns with open hearts.
Leader People	Bless your church throughout the world That we may hear your voice and seek to do your will.
Leader	Bless Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Daniel, our
People	bishop; and James our rector That they may lead their people to a greater love, knowledge and understanding of You.
Leader People	Guide our president and all other leaders to develop laws that are just for all people. Fill the leaders of this world with Your love that their actions may reflect You and lead to peace.
Leader	Heal all divisions and help the people of this land to seek peaceful solutions to discord and gun violence.
People	Lord, make us servants of your peace.
Leader People	Open our eyes to the needs of those around us and the injustices suffered. May we reject racism, antisemitism, and stand against anything that diminishes the dignity of others.
Leader	Protect our schools, teachers, coaches, staff and students. Give them perseverance and wisdom.
People	Help us to honor You with everything we do and learn.
Leader People	Help us see Christ in each person That we may love our neighbors as we love ourselves.
Leader People	Be with all those suffering in body, mind, or spirit. Comfort them in their distress.
Leader People	Fill us with respect for the beauty of Your Earth. Grant us the wisdom to preserve it.
Leader	Give to the departed eternal rest, especially Bee Lees, Paul W. Lees, Mark Lees and Peter
People	W. Duncan in whose memory the altar flowers are given. Comfort all who mourn.
Leader People	<i>Grant</i> us courage to boldly proclaim your saving grace in our daily life and work. Deliver us from the service of self alone, that we may do the work you have given us to do in truth and beauty and for the common good.
Leader	Hear the special needs of those present, whether offered silently or aloud.

(Silence)

LeaderLord, in your mercy,PeopleHear our prayer.

Celebrant Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

People Amen.

Confession of Sin

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

All kneel as are able. Silence may be kept.

- AllMost 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.
- *Celebrant* 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.

People Amen.

The Peace

All stand.

CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

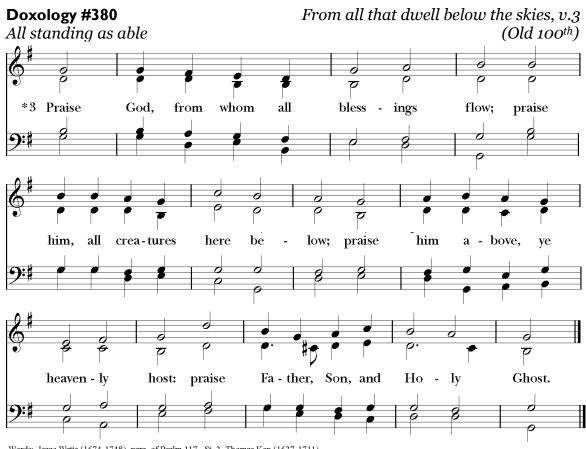
The Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence

Celebrant Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

Offertory Anthem *Chancel Choir* Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake Hilton

Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake lay not our sin to our charge; but forgive that is past, and give us grace to amend our sinful lives. to decline from sin, and incline to virtue, that we may walk in an upright heart, that we may walk in an upright heart before thee this day and evermore.



Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), para. of Psalm 117. St. 3, Thomas Ken (1637-1711) Music: Old 100th, melody from Pseaumes octante trois de David, 1551, all.; harm. after Louis Bourgeois (1510?-1561?)

The Great Thanksgiving

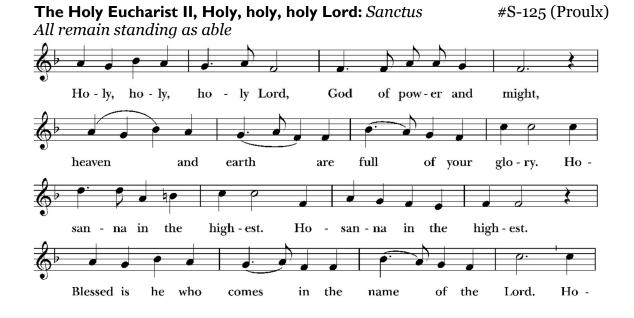
Eucharistic Prayer B with Expansive Language

All stand.

Celebrant	The Lord 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 <i>our</i> thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father 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 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:





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The people stand or kneel as they are able.

Celebrant We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all *in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh*. For in these last days you sent *Jesus* to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In *Christ*, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In *Christ*, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

All We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

Celebrant And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O *Savior* of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us *in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you*, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the blessed Virgin Mary, the Holy Apostles, St. Faith, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your *children*; through Jesus Christ our *Savior*, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.

All Amen. And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say, Celebrant All 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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

CelebrantAlleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for usPeopleTherefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.



Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God.

All baptized Christians are welcome to join us in Holy Communion. If you are unable to come to the altar, please let the usher know, and communion will be brought to you, or a blessing given to you, at your seat.

After communion, a period of silence is observed.

Celebrant	Let us pray
All	Eternal God,
	you have graciously accepted us as living members
	of 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 <i>Savior</i> . Amen.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn #410 Praise, my soul, the King of heaven All standing as able (Lauda anima) Unison or harmony . 1 Praise, my soul, the King of hea to his feet thy tri - bute bring; ven: 2 Praise him to his peo-ple for his grace and ſa in dis - tress; vor tends and spares fee-ble frame he knows; Fa - ther - like he well our 3 us; An-gels, help us a - dore ye be - holdhim face to 4 to him; face; ran-somed, healed, re-stored, for - giv-en, his sing: ev - er - more prais - es chide, and swift to praise him still the same as ev - er, slow to bless: in his hand he gen - tly bears us, res-cues us from all our foes. moon, bow down be - fore him, dwell-ers all time and sun and in space. Al - le lu - ia, al - le lu - ia! Praise the ev - er last - ing King. -Al - le lu - ia! lu - ia! lu - ia, al - le Glo - rious in his faith-ful ness. al - le Al-le lu - ia, Wide - ly yet his mer - cy flows. Al - le lu - ia, al - le lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

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Dismissal

Celebrant	God is love
People	Jesus teaches us to love
Celebrant	Jesus will never leave us or forsake us
People	Nothing can separate us from the love of God.
Celebrant	Let us go forth rejoicing in the power of God's Spirit.
People	Thanks be to God.

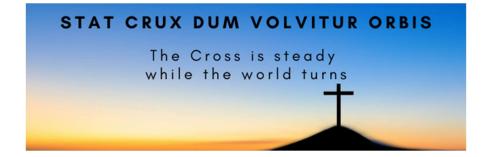
Postlude

Prelude in F

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Ministers of the Liturgy

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. James Stambaugh Minister of Music: Jamie Wilcutts Reader/Intercessor: Judi Kraft Live-Stream Technician: Joe Zorc Altar Guild: Patty Wertz



Dear Visitor,

You are more than welcome here. This is a place to belong. There are many ways to connect at Holy Apostles. Please feel welcome to introduce yourself to greeters or clergy. We are more complete because you are here. Thank you for spending time with us!

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