



Sunday, June 11, 2023 – Second Sunday after Pentecost

Processional

The God of Abraham praise

H 401

1. The God of Abraham praise, who reigns enthroned above; Ancient of everlasting days, and God of love; the Lord, the great I AM, by earth and heaven confessed: we bow and bless the sacred Name for ever blest.

3. There dwells the Lord, our King, the Lord, our Righteousness, triumphant o'er the world and sin, the Prince of Peace; on Zion's sacred height his kingdom he maintains, and, glorious with his saints in light, for ever reigns.

5. The whole triumphant host give thanks to God on high; "Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!" they ever cry; hail, Abraham's Lord divine! With heaven our songs we raise; all might and majesty are thine, and endless praise.

Celebrant: Blessed be our God. People: **For ever and ever. Amen.**

Glory to God S 280

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

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

O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A Reading from the book of Genesis.

12:1-9

Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. Abram took his wife Sarai and his brother's son Lot, and all the possessions that they had gathered, and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran; and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. Then the Lord appeared to Abram, and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him. From there he moved on to the hill country on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; and there he built an altar to the Lord and invoked the name of the Lord. And Abram journeyed on by stages toward the Negeb.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 33:1-12

1. Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous; ***it is good for the just to sing praises.**
2. Praise the Lord with the harp; ***play to him upon the psaltery and lyre.**
3. Sing for him a new song; ***sound a fanfare with all your skill upon the trumpet.**
4. For the word of the Lord is right, ***and all his works are sure.**
5. He loves righteousness and justice; ***the loving-kindness of the Lord fills the whole earth.**
6. By the word of the Lord were the heavens made, ***by the breath of his mouth all the heavenly hosts.**
7. He gathers up the waters of the ocean as in a water-skin ***and stores up the depths of the sea.**
8. Let all the earth fear the Lord; ***let all who dwell in the world stand in awe of him.**
9. For he spoke, and it came to pass; ***he commanded, and it stood fast.**
10. The Lord brings the will of the nations to naught; ***he thwarts the designs of the peoples.**

11. But the Lord's will stands fast for ever, ***and the designs of his heart from age to age.**

12. Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord! ***happy the people he has chosen to be his own!**

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Rome.

4:13-25

The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Hymn: O day of radiant gladness

H 48 v.2

This day at the creation, the light first had its birth; this day for our salvation Christ rose from depths of earth; this day our Lord victorious the Spirit sent from heaven, and thus this day most glorious a triple light was given.

Clergy: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

9:9-13, 18-26

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me."

And he got up and followed him. And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."

While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. And the report of this spread throughout that district.

Clergy: The Gospel of the Lord. People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon

The Reverend Rick O'Brien

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: 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.

Prayers of the People

In peace and faith, let us offer our prayers, saying, "Christ have mercy."

For the mission of the Church in every place, that it may persevere in faith and hope, and have grace to build up your people in love. **Christ, have mercy.**

For the leaders of our nation and the world, that they may come together in peace, protect our fragile earth, and work together for the common good. **Christ, have mercy.**

For those in our community in need, those in the grip of addiction, and those who lack hope. **Christ, have mercy.**

For the sick, the injured, and those in need of healing, in either body, mind or soul, especially: __. God of love and mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

For those saints who have departed this life, we pray today for: _____. God of love and mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Loving Jesus; Protect and sustain us with your hand. Open the door of love that, sealed with your wisdom, we may be free to serve you with joy. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sins to God.

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

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 of the Lord be always with you. **People: And also with you**

Offertory Hymn: O for a thousand tongues to sing H 493

- 1. O for a thousand tongues to sing my dear Redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!*
- 2. My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim and spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy Name.*
- 3. Jesus! the Name that charms our fears and bids our sorrows cease; 'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.*

4. *He speaks; and, listening to his voice, new life the dead receive, the mournful broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe.*
5. *Hear him, ye deaf; ye voiceless ones, your loosened tongues employ; ye blind, behold, your Savior comes; and leap, ye lame, for joy!*
6. *Glory to God and praise and love be now and ever given by saints below and saints above, the Church in earth and heaven.*

The Holy Communion

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

Santo, santo, santo [Holy, holy, holy]

WLP 785

Holy, holy, holy, my heart, my heart adores you! My heart is glad to say the words you are holy, Lord.

Santo, santo, santo, mi corazon te adora! Mi corazon te sabe decir: santo eres Señor.

Holy, holy, holy, my heart, my heart adores you! My heart is glad to say the words you are holy, Lord.

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself, yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

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.

God of promise, you have prepared a banquet for us. **Happy are those who are called to the Supper of the Lamb.**

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 Hymn: Let us break bread together H 325

1. Let us break bread together on our knees; Let us break bread together on our knees; when I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

2. Let us drink wine together on our knees;. Let us drink wine together on our knees; when I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

3. *Let us praise God together on our knees; Let us praise God together on our knees; when I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.*

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.

Live without fear: your Creator has made you holy, has always protected you, and loves you as a mother. Go in peace to follow the good road and may God's blessing be with you always. **Amen.**

Recessional **Come, thou fount of every blessing** **H 686**

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! Oh, 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, oh, take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Calendar		
Monday	6:30 PM	AI-Anon – Support for those affected by the disease of addiction
Tuesday	9 AM	Tuesday Tune-up – Scripture reflections from our clergy on Facebook and YouTube
Thursday	6:30 PM	Centering Prayer (<i>Zoom – an oasis of quiet contemplation done together with time for silent reflection</i>) Contact lauracanon@yahoo.com

Friday	10 AM	Morning Prayer (<i>live in our chapel– led by Daughters of the King</i>)
	10:30 AM	Alzheimer’s / Dementia /Memory Support Group starting June 16 at Epiphany. Contact Gary Hails 702-884-7050
Sunday	8 AM	Holy Eucharist (Live – spoken, contemplative)
	9 AM	Faith Matters (Live and Facebook)
	9:45 AM	Summer Education for youth (4 years and up), nursery care is available as well
	10 AM	Holy Eucharist (Live and live stream) A lively, family friendly service with music

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Alzheimer/Dementia Support Group June 16

Spread the word. The Alzheimer’s / Dementia /Memory support group. This is open to caregivers and care receivers Beginning June 16 at 10:30 am to 12 pm at Epiphany. If you are in need or know anyone in need of the love, support and help this group offers please call or have them call Gary Hails at 702-884-7050

Helping Hands of Epiphany June 17

Do you want to meet people and help but do not know how. Mark your calendar and join us for our next Helping Hands of Epiphany event. Show up between 7 and 9 for some fun and light It work. It is a good opportunity to socialize and help us accomplish a few tasks.

Mark your calendar for June 25 Picnic

Come to church, stay for a picnic. Hot Dogs, Hamburgers and be prepared to have a good time.

Volunteers needed for July 4th Pancake Breakfast

Our friends at Grace in the Desert will be hosting a free community pancake breakfast immediately following the Las Vegas Fourth of July Parade and are looking for some volunteers to help. If you are interested, please sign up in the narthex or see any vestry member for more info.

Refugee Resettlement Needs

Won’t you help with our Outreach Refugee Resettlement Program? June needs are Shampoo, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant (\$ store items). Diapers and Baby Items See Betty-Jeanne and Kristen for more details or Questions

St. Jude's Ranch Collection

For June, St Jude's is collecting baby things. Some new babies have arrived on campus so diapers, nursery items, wipes. Etc.



Our mission is to create and nurture disciples to share our journey to know and to love Jesus Christ

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