



Sunday, June 18, 2023

Processional

O Love of God, how strong and true

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- 1. O love of God, how strong and true, eternal and yet ever new, uncomprehended and unbought, beyond all knowledge and all thought!*
- 2. O wide-embracing, wondrous love! We read you in the sky above, we read you in the earth below, in seas that swell and streams that flow.*
- 3. We read you best in him who came bearing for us the cross of shame; sent by the Father from on high, our life to live, our death to die.*
- 4. We read your pow'r to bless and save, e'en in the darkness of the grave; still more in resurrection light we read the fullness of your might.*

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.

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A Reading from the book of Exodus.

19:2-8a

The Israelites had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain. Then Moses went up to God; the Lord called to him from the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites."

So Moses came, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the Lord had commanded him. The people all answered as one: "Everything that the Lord has spoken we will do."

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

Psalm 100

1. Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; ***serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.**
2. Know this: The Lord himself is God; ***he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**
3. Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; ***give thanks to him and call upon his Name.**
4. For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; ***and his faithfulness endures from age to age.**

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

5:1-8

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person--though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

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

This day, God's people meeting, his Holy Scripture hear; his living presence greeting, through Bread and Wine made near. We journey on, believing, renewed with heavenly might, from grace more grace receiving on this blest day of light.

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

9:35-10:8

Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.

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

Sermon

The Reverend Peter Steinbrenner

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 Anthem:

Father's Eyes

Gary Chapman

Kelly Morgan, soloist

Presentation of Offering

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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]

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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: My God, thy table now is spread H 321

1. My God, thy table now is spread, thy cup with love doth overflow; be all thy children thither led, and let them thy sweet mercies know.

2. O let thy table honored be, and furnished well with joyful guests; and may each soul salvation see, that here its sacred pledges tastes.

3. Drawn by thy quickening grace, O Lord, in countless number let them come and gather from their Father's board the Bread that lives beyond the tomb.

4. Nor let thy spreading Gospel rest till through the world thy truth has run, till with this Bread shall all be blessed who see the light or feel the sun.

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, labor on** **H 541**

1. Come, labor on. Who dares stand idle on the harvest plain, while all around us waves the golden grain? And to each servant does the Master say, "Go work today."

4. Come, labor on. Claim the high calling angels cannot share,- to young and old the Gospel gladness bear: redeem the time; its hours too swiftly fly. The night draws nigh.

5. Come, labor on. No time for rest, till glows the western sky, till the long shadows o'er our pathway lie, and a glad sound comes with the setting sun, "Servants, well done."

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

Calendar		
Monday	6:30 PM	Al-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 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

Al-Anon Every Monday 6:30 PM

Al-Anon is a group of friends and families affected by the disease of addiction. Any in need of this wonderful program is encouraged to attend.

Alzheimer/Dementia Support Group

Spread the word. The Alzheimer's / Dementia /Memory support group. This is open to caregivers and care receivers 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

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.

Blood drive June 25

Come to Church, stay for the picnic and give blood (9am to 1pm). Schedule your appointment on line or have a bite and just show up. Give blood and save a life.

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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