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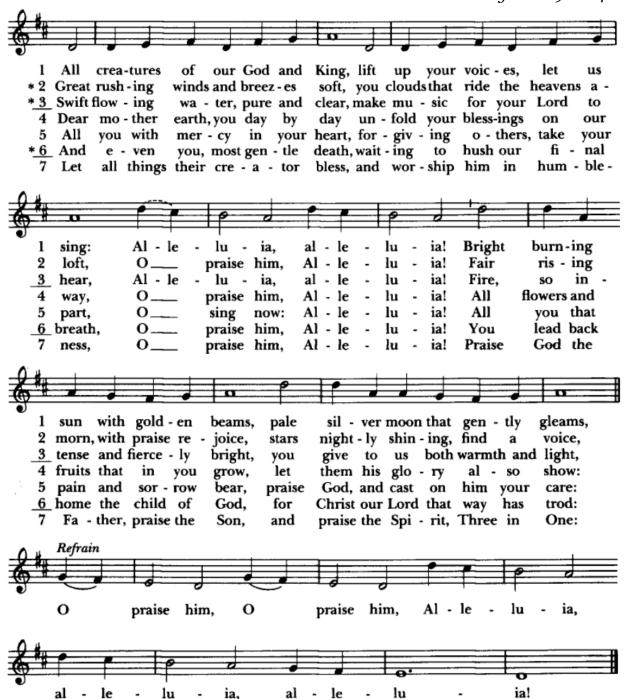
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Holy Eucharist Rite II

THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

PROPER 19

September 17, 2023 10:30 a.m.



The refrain may be sung antiphonally, by phrase; all join in the final Alleluia.

All standing, the Celebrant says

Opening Acclamation

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

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

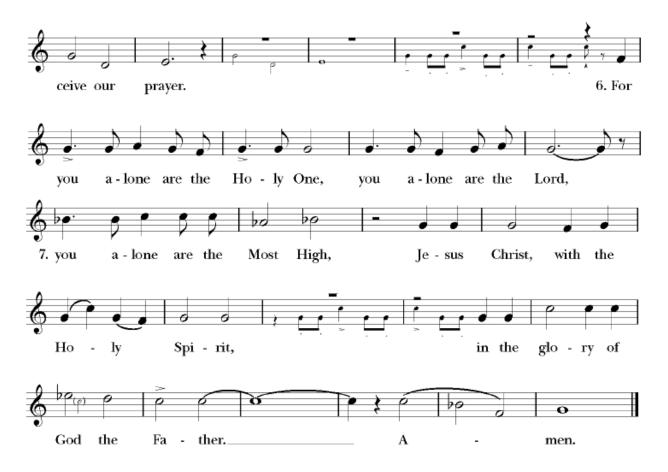
Collect of Purity

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 Lord. Amen.

Song of Praise The Hymnal 1982 #S278

Sung all together





Collect of the Day

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.*

Please be seated.

THE LESSONS

The Old Testament Exodus 14:19-31

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night.

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The LORD drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the LORD in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the Israelites, for the LORD is fighting for them against Egypt."

Then the LORD said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the LORD tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left.

Thus the LORD saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the LORD did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the LORD and believed in the LORD and in his servant Moses.

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

The Psalm Psalm 114

In exitu Israel

1 Hallelujah!

When Israel came out of Egypt, * the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech,

- 2 Judah became God's sanctuary * and Israel his dominion.
- 3 The sea beheld it and fled; *

 Jordan turned and went back.
- 4 The mountains skipped like rams, * and the little hills like young sheep.
- 5 What ailed you, O sea, that you fled? * O Jordan, that you turned back?
- 6 You mountains, that you skipped like rams? * you little hills like young sheep?
- 7 Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, * at the presence of the God of Jacob,

8 Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water * and flint-stone into a flowing spring.

A period of silence is kept.

The Epistle Romans 14:1-12

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.

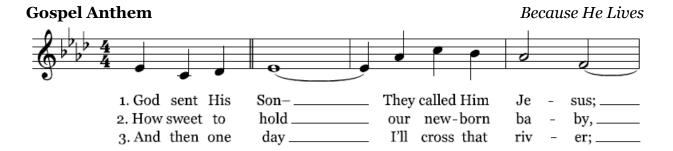
Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written,

"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.

Please stand as able.





The Gospel Matthew 18:21-35

All stand as able.

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory 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 had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you 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."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated.

The Sermon The Reverend Shawn Streepy

The Nicene Creed

All stand and say together.

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 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

Please stand or kneel as able.

Prayers of the People September 17, 2023 The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Our God is a God of unity, not of division; of love, not of hate; of forgiveness, not of resentment. With open hearts, bearing the pain of the world, let us beseech the God of love, saying: **We beseech you, O Lord**.

For our brothers and sisters of every race and nation: for their safety and well being, for the relief of their sufferings, for the assuaging of their hunger and thirst, and for the overcoming of enmity, let us pray to the Lord. *We beseech you*, *O Lord*.

For those people we have come to view as enemies, for the healing of hatred and the birth of friendship, let us pray to the Lord. *We beseech you, O Lord.*

For the churches of the world, let us pray: for the healing of divisions, for growth in understanding, for devotion to the truth of the gospel, for our mutual enrichment, and for complete communion in the Holy Spirit, let us pray to the Lord. *We beseech you, O Lord.*

For our homes and families: for an end to feuds, for release from the cycle of violence, for the healing of painful memories, for forgiveness and peace between those who injure, for patience in bearing with one another, let us pray to the Lord. *We beseech you, O Lord.*

In the World Council of Churches Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for the people of Argentina, Paraguay, Uruguay

In the Kansas Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for Bethany House and Garden

let us pray to the Lord. We beseech you, O Lord.

For Those Serving in the Armed Forces: Devon Allen; Murphy Bright; Ben Dible; Michael Green; Harvey Hayselden; Benjamin Karpinski; Alex Shaw; Jose Te'o; Collin Kelly; Macauley Garton; Frank Bednar; Grant Bednar; Henry Kniggendorf; Sean Bess; Maxwell Hayselden;

let us pray to the Lord. We beseech you, O Lord.

For Health & Strength: Claton Clevenger and family; Taylor Cox; Megan and Kristi Boyer; Cindy Keller; Trudy Vanderwide; Scott Forsen; Craig and Jeanette Burris; Katherine Riggins & family; Kenneth Cox & family; Gloria Beaty and the Beaty Family; Maxdon Fuller; Kyle Roberts; Jeanne and Bruce Miller; John Birtwell and Family; Theresa Textor; Claton Clevenger and family; Dalton Peavler;

let us pray to the Lord. We beseech you, O Lord.

For Birthdays: Ruth Knabel; Kay Allen; Scott Parkhurst

For Anniversaries: John and Judy Hoffman;

let us pray to the Lord. We beseech you, O Lord.

Lord, God, your Son made himself the least among us, bore our sins upon the cross, and delivered us from death by his own suffering and dying. Forgive us our sins, by which we have added to the world's pain, and make us instruments of peace and reconciliation, through the same Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A period of silence is kept.

Birthday Prayer

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



Anniversary Prayer

O gracious and ever living God, look mercifully upon this couple who come to you seeking your blessing on this their anniversary, continue assisting them with your grace, that with true fidelity and steadfast love they may honor and keep the promises and vows they have made; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen**

The Confession of Sin

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *The people kneel as they are able.*

Celebrant and People

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. *Amen*.

The Exchange of Peace

All stand as able.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Greet each other safely.

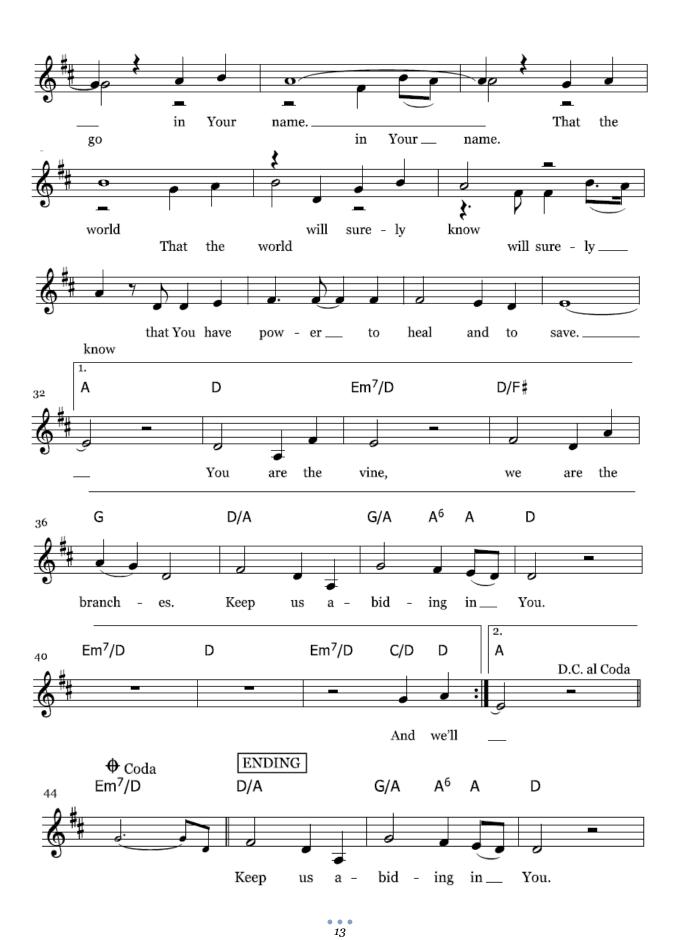
The Offertory Sentence

Celebrant

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







The Presentation of Bread



All stand as able.

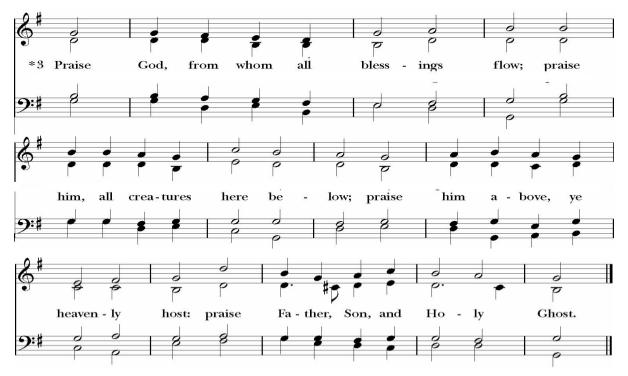


Presentation of Gifts

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine.

Doxology

The Hymnal 1982 #380 v. 3



Celebrant All things come from you O Lord.

People And of your own have we given you. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A

Standing as you are able.

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 him thanks and praise.

Celebrant

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:

The Hymnal 1982 # S-128

Celebrant and People



The people stand or kneel.

Celebrant

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:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant

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. *AMEN*.

Celebrant

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

The Lord's Prayer

(All together)

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

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia

Celebrant 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.

Celebrant

The table of bread is now made ready.

It is the table of company with Jesus, and all who love him.

It is the table of sharing with the poor of the world, with whom Jesus identified himself.

It is the table of communion with the earth, in which Christ became incarnate.

So come to this table, you who have much faith, and you who would like to have more; you who have been here often, and you who have not been for a long time; you who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who have failed; come.

It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.



HOLY COMMUNION

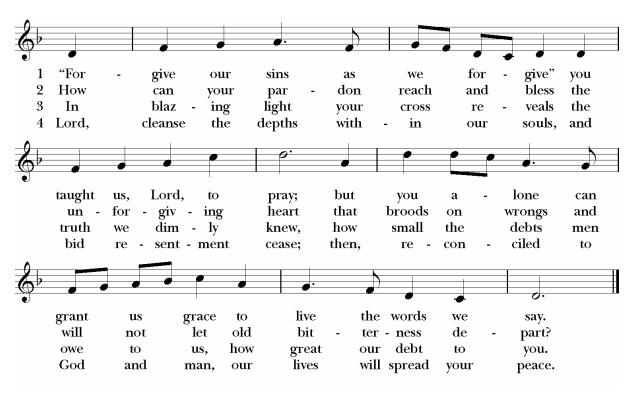
Holy Communion All are welcome at the altar rail. All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you are not baptized or if you prefer a blessing only, cross your arms over your chest at the altar.

Gluten-free wafers are available; please make your needs known to the minister.

The choir will receive first. Please wait until the usher releases your pew. You may stand or kneel at the altar rail. Father Jonathan will intinct the wafer in consecrated wine. If you do not desire this please make your needs known.

Communion Hymn

Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive The Hymnal 1982 #674



Kneel as you are able.

Post-Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, 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 Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

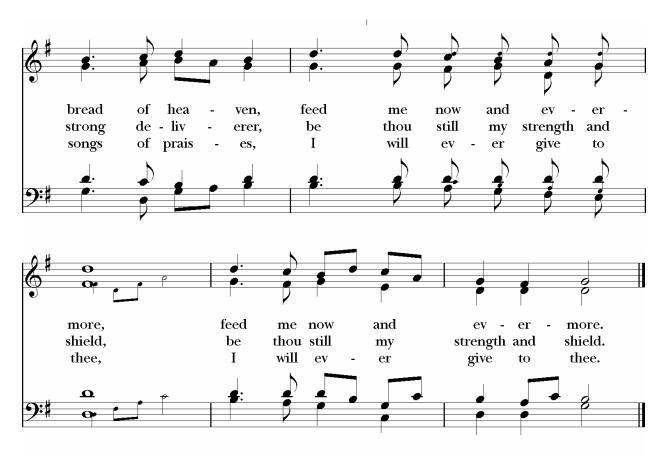
Celebrant

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen*.

Announcements

Stand as able.





The Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.



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