Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

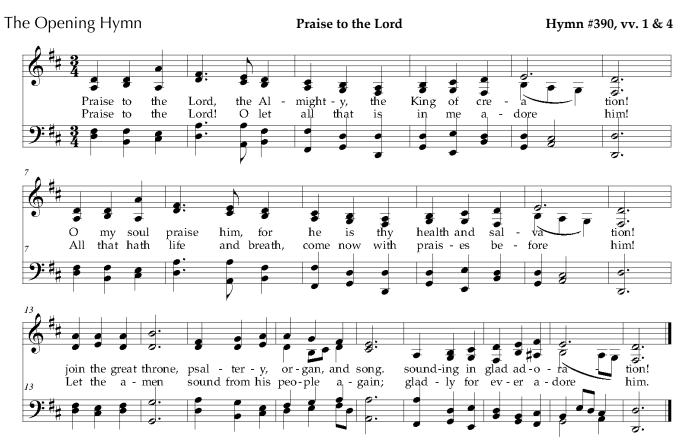
September 6, 2020, 10:00 a.m.



The Word of God

Prelude: In Paradisum

Dubois



Words by Joachim Neander (1650-1680) Music: LOBE DEN HERREN Melody from Erneuerten Gesangbuch, 1665; Hymn #390, The Hymnal 1982

The Opening Acclamation

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

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

Celebrant Let us pray.

All 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.

> Deacon/Preacher: The Rev. Jude Lyons Celebrant: The Very Rev. Paula Vukmanic

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray. Almighty God, you have so linked our lives one with another that all we do affects, for good or ill, all other lives: So guide us in the work we do, that we may do it not for self alone, but for the common good; and, as we seek a proper return for our own labor, make us mindful of the rightful aspirations of other workers, and arouse our concern for those who are out of work; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

Reader: HeeSun Gerhardt

The First Lesson Sirach (Ecclesiasticus) 38:27-32 1st Reader A Reading from the Wisdom of Jesus, Son of Sirach So it is with every artisan and master artisan who labours by night as well as by day; those who cut the signets of seals, each is diligent in making a great variety; they set their heart on painting a lifelike image,

and they are careful to finish their work.

So it is with the smith, sitting by the anvil, intent on his ironwork;

the breath of the fire melts his flesh, and he struggles with the heat of the furnace;

the sound of the hammer deafens his ears, and his eyes are on the pattern of the object.

He sets his heart on finishing his handiwork, and he is careful to complete its decoration.

So it is with is the potter sitting at his work and turning the wheel with his feet;

he is always deeply concerned over his products, and he produces them in quantity.

He moulds the clay with his arm and makes it pliable with his feet; he sets his heart on finishing the glazing, and he takes care in firing the kiln.

All these rely on their hands, and all are skilful in their own work. Without them no city can be inhabited, and wherever they live, they will not go hungry. Yet they are not sought out for the council of the people, 1st Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

The Response Reader: David Gerhardt

Psalm 90:1-2, 16-17, Domine, refugium

1 Lord, you have been our refuge * from one generation to another.

2 Before the mountains were brought forth, or the land and the earth were born, * from age to age you are God.

16 Show your servants your works * and your splendor to their children.

17 May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us; * prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork.

The Holy Gospel Matthew 6:19-24

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

"The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light; but if your eye is unhealthy, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness! "No one can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

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

The Sermon The Rev. Jude Lyons

There will be a moment of silence for reflection following the sermon.

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 join in reading the words in **bold**.

Sustaining God, hear our prayers, spoken and unspoken.

For civil and religious leaders, for those working for peace and justice, for those working with the poor and the unsheltered, bless them with integrity and truth, compassion and love. God of wisdom, **hear our prayers.**

Reader: David & HeeSun Gerhardt

For all who serve in our civil services, especially first responders, and in the armed and foreign services, and their families, especially Drew Deley, Michael Herredia, Mark Kappelmann, Maia and Tom Lainis, Will Piepenbring, Scott Ruston, Michael Strong, Jonathan Zimmerman and Steve. God of peace, hear our prayers.

For all facing challenges, especially: Andrea, Barbara, Bob and Jane Africano, Ceri Falk, Ann Godfrey, Frances Hailwood, Sally Hill, Nathan Reddall Linman, Gale Lovrich, the Miles family, Molly, Marjorie Morris, Karla Nicole, Lisa Rieger, Bruce Schaefer, Anne Sharp, Steve Smith, and all those we name to you now... (please add your own prayers silently or out loud). God of all healing, hear our prayers.

For those killed or injured in acts of terrorism, injustice, gun violence, abuse or prejudice of any kind, and from the consequences of diseases and natural disasters. We pray for the healing of those suffering from the coronavirus and those ministering to them. God of protecting love, **hear our prayers**.

For all who anticipate birthdays, anniversaries, and joyful events...(please add your own prayers silently or out loud). God of all we have, hear our prayers.

For all those who have died, especially George Mashy, and those we name to you now...(please add your own prayers silently or out loud). God of comfort and grace, hear our prayers.

Celebrant Gracious God, thank you for always doing more than we could ask for or even imagine.

Help us be faithful to our Christian calling especially in this world that needs people of justice, of peace and dreamers for a world of one heart. We ask this in the name and power of Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Confession of Sin

Deacon 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.

The Absolution

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. **Amen**.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Welcome and Announcements

The Great Thanksgiving

Offertory Anthem Guide my feet Lord, Spiritual arr. Wendell Whalum

Guide my feet while I run this race, Guide my feet while I run this race, Guide my feet while I run this race, For I don't want to run this race in vain!

Hold my hand...
Stand by me...
I'm your child...
Search my heart...

Guide my feet while I run this race, Guide my feet while I run this race, Guide my feet while I run this race, For I don't want to run this race in vain!

Solo Trio: Olufemi Knight & Mark Bennett

The Offertory Prayers

Celebrant God, through your goodness we have this bread and wine to offer.

They will become for us spiritual food.

People We bless God forever.

Celebrant God, receive our gifts for the work of your Church.

People We Bless God forever.

Celebrant God, you have blessed us with the joy of children and families and members of all ages.

We thank you that we can be present spiritually around your table, no matter how near or far.

People We bless God forever.

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant God is here and wherever you are.

People We praise God together.Celebrant Let us say thank you to God

People God has done so much for us.

Celebrant O God, you made all things, and you blessed them.

People You gave us the earth to feed us, the sky to open our hearts, the water for us to drink.

You blessed all those who came before us, and you bless us, also.

Celebrant When it was time, you sent angels to Mary and Joseph to tell them about having a child, whom they

would call Jesus. Jesus would be the Savior of the world.

And so we praise you with all the angels as we say:

Sanctus

Holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Glory be to you, O Lord most high.

Blessed is he that comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant God, you made us, and the world and everything in it.

People All the good we see comes from you. You have always loved us, but people have not always loved

you. You sent Jesus to show us how to live and to bring us back to you again.

Celebrant He died for us on the cross and rose from the dead so your Spirit can make us your people.

We are here because on the night before he died Jesus shared a meal with his friends.

There he took some bread and gave thanks to you.

He broke it into pieces, and gave it to them, and said, "This is my body.

People Do this, and know that I am with you."

Celebrant Later, he took a cup of wine and gave thanks to you.

He shared it with them, and said

"This is my blood, which brings new life.

People Do this, and know that I am with you."

Celebrant We remember what Jesus has done for us:

People Jesus died, then was raised to new life by you, and is alive forever,

Celebrant Send your Holy Spirit upon this bread and wine so it can be for us the body and blood of Jesus.

Through this food give us the strength to live as your people.

Help us care for your world and for each other in the way that Jesus showed us.

People Help us to love God, love others, serve the world, until he comes again, with all your people in every

time and every land.

Celebrant We worship you, praise you, thank you and we bless you. Amen.

Celebrant 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.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Invitation To Pray Together The Spiritual Communion Prayer From The National Cathedral A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion.

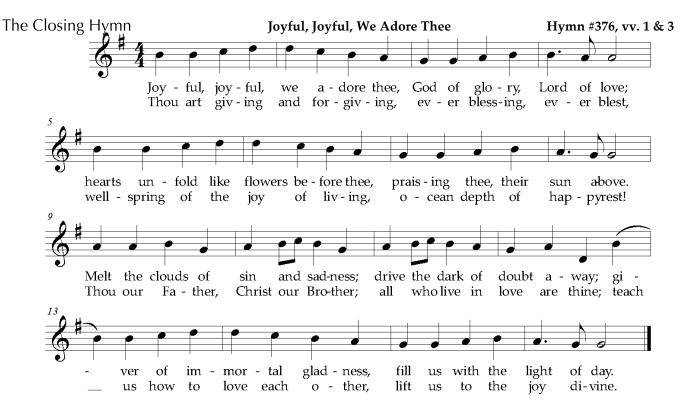
Celebrant Let us pray together

All My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen. (St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)

The Blessing

Celebrant May the peace of Christ 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.

All Amen



Words: Henry Van Dyke (1852-1933); Music: HYMN TO JOY, Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827), Hymn #376, The Hymnal 1982

Postlude: Prelude in C major J.S. Bach