

# Last Sunday After Pentecost—Christ The King

November 22, 2020, 10:00 a.m.



## The Word of God

The Opening Hymn

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!

Hymn #460, v. 1, 4

Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus! His the scep - ter, his the throne;  
Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, thee the Lord of lords we own:

Al - le - lu - ia! His the tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone;  
Al - le - lu - ia! born of Ma - ry, earth thy foot - stool, heaven thy throne:

Hark! the songs of peace - ful Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood;  
thou with - in the veil hast en - tered, robed in flesh, our great High Priest:

Je - sus out of ev - 'ry na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.  
thou on earth both Priest and Vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.

Words by William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898) Tune: Hyfrydol Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887)

The Opening Acclamation

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

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

Celebrant/Preacher: The Very Rev. Paula Vukmanic  
Deacon: The Rev. Celeste Stump

## 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.**

## The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

**People** **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

## The First Lesson Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

*Reader: Joyce Alley*

1<sup>st</sup> Reader A Reading from the Book of the prophet Ezekiel

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

1<sup>st</sup> Reader Here what the Spirit is saying to God's people

## The Response Psalm 95:1-7a, *Venite, exultemus*

*Reader: Joyce Alley*

1 Come, let us sing to the LORD; \*

let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

2 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \*

and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

3 For the LORD is a great God, \*

and a great King above all gods.

4 In his hand are the caverns of the earth, \*

and the heights of the hills are his also.

5 The sea is his, for he made it, \*

and his hands have molded the dry land.

6 Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, \*

and kneel before the LORD our Maker.

7 For he is our God,

and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

The Holy Gospel Matthew 25:31-46

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

**People Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

**People Praise to you, Lord Christ**

† The Sermon

The Very Rev. Paula Vukmanic

*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

Reader: Mary Ann Cronin

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

We praise your abiding guidance, O God, for you sent us Jesus, our Teacher, to model for us the way of love.

O God, we pray that your universal presence helps all nations and races in the transforming work of peace. Let all cultures and religions serve you in harmony and in mutual respect. Let us pray; **heal us and help us to serve you.**

O God, you proclaim your truth in every age by many voices. Bless all civil and religious leaders with your Spirit of compassionate authority and grant them wisdom in the exercise of their duties. Let us pray; **help us to hear and know your voice.**

O God, encourage and protect those in our 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. Strengthen them to serve with honor. Let us pray; **help us to seek your strength and justice.**

O God, hear our prayers for this parish family as we appreciate our blessings, birthdays, anniversaries, and joyful events. Inspire us to be of one heart and mind. Let us pray; **unite us in our care of others and ourselves.**

O God, help us to remember those who alone and those who are broken in body or spirit. We pray for those who are ill, recovering from surgery, or in desperate need, especially Andrea, Barbara, Bob and Jane Africano, Claudia, Ceri Falk, Ann Godfrey, Frances Hailwood, Ashley Hawn, Sally Hill, 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, either silently or aloud)*. Let us pray; **help us to heal and support in your name.**

O God, we pray 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, fires and floods. We pray for the healing of those suffering from the coronavirus and those ministering to them. Let us pray, **protect us with your powerful presence and peace.**

O God, your power brings us to birth, your providence guides our lives, and by your call we enter Eternal Life. We pray for all whom we love and see no longer, especially Charleen Frances Bennett, mother of Dr. Mark Bennett, Kimberly Gray, sister of Kelly Lynch, and all those we name to you now... *(please add your own prayers, either silently or aloud)*. Let us pray; **bleed us with faith and hope to live for you all the days of our lives.**

*Silence*

Deacon: O Gracious God, we thank you for the gifts of relationships, for the patience to allow your transforming love to change us and uplift us. As you show us the way to love, we ask for the power of healing peace that we may become reconciled to one another and to you, through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

## The Confession of Sin

Celebrant 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

*O Heavenly Word, Eternal Light*

Hymn #64

*O heavenly Word, eternal Light, begotten of the Father's might,  
Who in these latter days wast born for blessing to a world forlorn;  
Pour light upon us from above, and fire our hearts with ardent love,  
That, as we hear thy truth to day, all wrong desires may burn away;  
And when, as judge thou drawest nigh the secrets of our hearts to try,  
To recompense each hidden sin and bid the saints their reign begin;  
O let us not, for evil past, be driven from thy face at last,  
But with thy saints for evermore behold thee, love thee and adore.  
To God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit, three in One,  
Praise, honor, might, and glory be from age to age eternally.*

*Solo: Mark Bennett*

## The Offertory Prayers

**Celebrant** Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation; through your goodness we have this bread and wine to offer, which the earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the Bread of Heaven and the Cup of Salvation.

**People** **Blessed be God forever.**

**Celebrant** Receive, O Lord, these gifts presented by your holy people for the work of your holy Church.

**People** **Blessed be God forever.**

## The Great Thanksgiving

**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 God thanks and praise.**

*The Celebrant continues. The People read the parts in bold.*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we say,

## Sanctus

**Holy, 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.**

*The People join in reading the text in bold.*

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life.

**You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.**

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves.

**We would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.**



The Closing Hymn

At the Name of Jesus

Hymn #435, v. 1, 4, 5

King's Weston, Ralph Vaughan Williams

The musical score is written in 3/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of four staves of music. The lyrics are printed below the notes, with some words hyphenated across lines. The score begins with a treble clef and a 3/4 time signature. The first staff contains the first line of music and lyrics. The second staff begins with a measure rest marked '4'. The third staff begins with a measure rest marked '8'. The fourth staff begins with a measure rest marked '12'. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

At the Name of Je - sus ev - ery knee shall  
Name him, Chris - tians, name him; with love strong as  
In your hearts en - throne him; there let him sub -  
4  
bow, ev - ery tongue con - fess - him King of glo - ry  
death, name with awe and won - der and with bat - ed  
due all that is not ho - ly, all that is not  
8  
now; 'tis the Fa - ther's plea - sure we should call him  
breath; he is God the Sa - vior he is Christ the  
true; crown him as your Cap - tain in temp - ta - tion's  
12  
Lord. who from the be - gin - ning was the might - y Word.  
Lord, ev - er to be wor - shiped, trust - ed, and a - dored.  
hour; let his will en - fold you in its light and power.