

# Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 10, 2021, 10:00 a.m.



Please take a moment to silence your cell phone. Thank you.

Consider making a donation of altar flowers in honor of a special occasion, or in memory of someone you love.

The suggested donation is \$40. To arrange, please contact Mary in the Church Office: 310-375-4617 or

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## Important Covid Safety Reminders

In accordance with LA County Public Health requirements, Bishop Taylor has requested that although social distancing is no longer required, masks must be worn at all times indoors, regardless of vaccination status.

Non-vaccinated persons must continue to wear masks and maintain a six foot distance from those not in your immediate household at all times on campus, both indoor and outdoor.

Some areas of the nave remain taped off for those who must remain distanced and for those, though vaccinated, choose to do so. You may sing during the hymns if you are fully vaccinated but please refrain if you are not vaccinated. We are confident that you will treat one another with love, dignity, and respect.

*Please also note that we publicly livestream our worship service.*

## The Word of God

*In Paradisum*

*Theodore Dubois*

*Please STAND as able, and if you are fully vaccinated, join in singing.*

### Processional Hymn

### Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

### Hymn #366, v. 1-4

Ho - ly God, we praise thy name, Lord of all — we bow be - fore thee;  
 Hark, the loud ce - les - tial hymn an - gel choirs a - bove are rais - ing;  
 Lo, the a - po - sto - lic train join, thy sa - cred Name to hal - low;  
 Ho - ly Fa - ther, ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spi - rit Three we name thee,

9  
 all on earth thy scep - ter claim, all in heav'n a - bove a - dore thee;  
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phin, in un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing;  
 pro - phets swell the loud re - frain, and the white - robed mar - tirs fol - low;  
 while in es - sence on - ly One, un - di - vid - ed God we claim thee;

17  
 in - fi - nite thy vast do - main, ev - er - last - ing is — thy reign.  
 fill the heav'ns with sweet ac - cord: ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord.  
 and, from morn till set of sun, through the Church the song goes on.  
 then, a - dor - ing bend the knee and con - fess the mys - ter - y.

### The Opening Acclamation

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

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

*A † appears in the margin where you may wish to make the sign of the cross over your body. Making the sign of the cross is a choice left to each worshipper. It is simply a way to engage your entire body (not just your speech and mind) in worship and physically to signify embracing the blessing of God.*

**Celebrant/Preacher:** The Rev. Jerry Sather

**Cantors:** Lloyd Mistele & Susan Tsuji

## 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.**

*Please remain STANDING, as able, and say together.*

## Canticle of Praise

**A Song of Praise** *Benedictus es, Domine*

**Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers;  
you are worthy of praise; glory to you.  
Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name;  
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.  
Glory to you in the splendor of your temple;  
on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.  
Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim;  
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.  
Glory to you, beholding the depths;  
in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.  
Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;  
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.**

## The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

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

Celebrant Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; 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 for the readings.*

The First Lesson Amos 5:6-7,10-15

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

Seek the LORD and live,  
or he will break out against the house of  
Joseph like fire,  
and it will devour Bethel, with no one to  
quench it.

Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood,  
and bring righteousness to the ground!

They hate the one who reproves in the gate,  
and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.

Therefore, because you trample on the poor  
and take from them levies of grain,  
you have built houses of hewn stone,  
but you shall not live in them;  
you have planted pleasant vineyards,  
but you shall not drink their wine.

For I know how many are your transgressions,  
and how great are your sins—

you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe,  
and push aside the needy in the gate.

Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a  
time;  
for it is an evil time.

Seek good and not evil,  
that you may live;

and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with  
you,  
just as you have said.

Hate evil and love good,  
and establish justice in the gate;

it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts,  
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

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

The Response Psalm 90:12-17, *Domine, refugium*

Reader Let us read from Psalm 90 responsively by half verse—(the People reading the text in **bold**).

12 So teach us to number our days \*  
**that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.**

13 Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry? \*  
**be gracious to your servants.**

14 Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; \*  
**so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.**

15 Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us \*  
**and the years in which we suffered adversity.**

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 Second Lesson Hebrews 4:12-16

2<sup>nd</sup> Reader A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

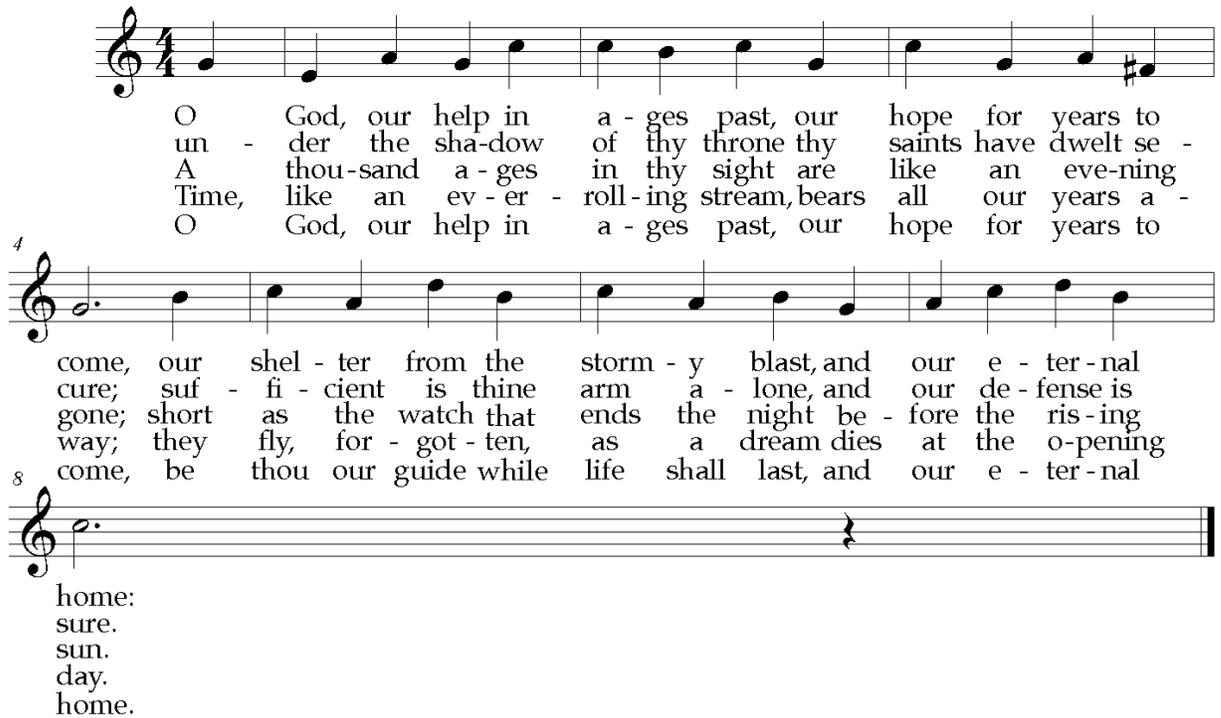
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*Please STAND as able, and if you are fully vaccinated, join in singing.*

Sequence Hymn

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

Hymn #680, v. 1, 2, 4, 5, 6



O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to  
un - der the sha-dow of thy throne thy saints have dwelt se -  
A thou-sand a - ges in thy sight are like an eve-ning  
Time, like an ev - er - roll - ing stream, bears all our years a -  
O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to  
4  
come, our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal  
cure; suf - fi - cient is thine arm a - lone, and our de - fense is  
gone; short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing  
way; they fly, for - got - ten, as a dream dies at the o - pening  
8  
come, be thou our guide while life shall last, and our e - ter - nal  
home:  
sure.  
sun.  
day.  
home.

*Please remain standing, as able.*

The Holy Gospel Mark 10:17-31

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

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

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.'" He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Please be seated for the sermon.*

The Sermon

The Rev. Jerry Sather

*Please STAND as able, and join in saying,*

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 human.**

**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.  
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 remain STANDING, as able, for*

### The Prayers of the People

We have a high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, who is able to sympathize with our weaknesses. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness that we may find grace to help in our time of need saying, "Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer."

For the church, that we would be open to your Word of truth that judges thoughts and intentions and follow in the way of Christ.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For our St. Francis parish, that God will guide us through trials, bless us with patience and perseverance, as we search for the priest who will embrace us and strengthen our church family.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** *(Inspired by Liz Cantine)*

For our President, the leaders of nations, and those who make and administer our laws, that they would seek good and not evil, and establish justice in our communities.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For the good earth that God has given us, that the damage from the nearby oil leak will be minimized, and that God will prosper the work of our hands as we seek solutions to climate change and environmental damage.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For the poor and oppressed, for the lonely and brokenhearted, for all who face danger, violence, and degradation.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially those we name now *(please add your prayers either silently or aloud...)* that God will give them courage and hope in their troubles and bring them the joy of salvation.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For all who have died, including *(please add your prayers either silently or aloud...)* that God's will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all the saints in God's eternal kingdom. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

*Silence is kept.*

Celebrant:

Merciful God, receive the prayers of your people; turn and have compassion upon us. Satisfy us with your steadfast love so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days, through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

The Confession of Sin

*From Enriching our Worship*

Celebrant Let us confess our sins to God.

*Please STAND or kneel as able, and join in saying,*

**All        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.**

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 Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

*Ministers and People exchange signs of peace in the name of the Lord.*

*Please be seated.*

Welcome and Announcements

# The Holy Communion

*Please remain seated for the Anthem. For the offertory, collection baskets will be placed at the exit of the church as you leave.*

Offertory Anthem

*Simple Gifts*

*Aaron Copland, arr. Irving Fine*

*'Tis the gift to be simple, 'tis the gift to be free  
'Tis the gift to come down where we ought to be,  
And when we find ourselves in the place just right,  
'Twill be in the valley of love and delight.  
When true simplicity is gained,  
To bow and to bend we shan't be ashamed,  
To turn, turn will be our delight,  
Till by turning, turning we come 'round right  
Susan Tsuji, tenor & Lloyd Mistele, bass*

*Please STAND, as able,*

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, all these gifts presented by your holy people for the work of your holy Church.

People **Blessed be God forever.**

## The Great Thanksgiving

*The people join in reading the parts in bold.*

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.**

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 by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

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:

Please STAND as able, and if you are fully vaccinated, join in singing.

## Sanctus

Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of power and might. Heav'n and earth are full of thy glo-ry, Ho-  
san - na in th high-est. Bless - ed is the One who comes in the name of the  
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

FOREST GREEN Traditional English tune adapt by Ralph Vaughn Williams

Please kneel or STAND as you prefer.

The Celebrant continues. The People join in reading the text in bold.

Holy and gracious God: 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 maker of all.

**Jesus 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 Jesus 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 all 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.**

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's 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 forever. *Amen.*

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

**All 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.*

*Celebrant* We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**People We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

*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.

For our online community—an 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.*

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 Communion of the People

*All are invited to receive Holy Communion. Please follow the directions of the ushers. Please return to your seats before consuming the elements. If you do not wish to receive, we encourage you to come forward to receive a blessing. Simply fold your hands across your chest when you come forward. The clergy will carry Communion to anyone in the congregation who is unable to come forward. Please notify an usher if you wish Communion to be brought to you. Gluten-free Communion wafers are available. If you require one of these, simply ask at the Altar rail.*

*Following communion, please STAND, as able,*

## The Post Communion Prayer

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**All God of abundance,  
you have fed us with the bread of life;  
you have united us with Christ and one another;  
and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.  
Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,  
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world  
and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

## The Blessing

Celebrant The blessing of God Almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*Please STAND as able, and if you are fully vaccinated, join in singing.*

Recessional Hymn

**Take My Life and Let It Be**

Hymn #707

Take my life, and let it be con-se-crated, Lord, to thee; take my mo-ments and my days,  
Take my voice, and let me sing al-ways, on-ly for my King. Take my lips, and let them be  
Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no long-er mine. Take my heart, it is thine own;  
let them flow in cease-less praise. Take my hands, and let them move at the im-pulse of thy love;  
filled with mes-sa-ges from thee. Take my sil-ver and my gold, not a mitewould I with-hold;  
it shall be thy roy-al throne. Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its trea-sure store.  
take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy roy-al throne.  
take my in-tel-lect, and use ev-'ry power as thou shalt choose.  
Take my-self, and I will be ev-er, on-ly, all for thee.

Words by Frances Havergal (1836-1879) Music HOLLINGSIDE by John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876)

## The Sending Forth

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

*O Clap Your Hands*

*John Rutter*

*You are invited to be seated during the postlude to pray or simply to enjoy the music.*

*Alternatively, you may depart in peace following the Sending Forth.*

*Please join us for a coffee fellowship under the arches.*

**Thank you for worshipping with us!**



*Names of those we pray for this week.*

**All those who serve in the armed and foreign services, and for their families:** Drew Deley, Michael Herredia, Mark Kappelmann, Maia and Tom Lainis, Will Piepenbring, Scott Ruston, Michael Strong, Jonathan Zimmerman and Steve.

**All those who are sick or in need of any kind:** Andrea, Barbara, Jane Africano, Claudia, Nancy Christian-son, Mark Duley, Pauline Duley, Ceri Falk, Jeff Ferme, Ann Godfrey, Frances Hailwood, Ashley Hawn, Sally Hill, Jake Madrid, Shelby Martyniak, Michael, Joy Merrill, Mike Mohuchi, Molly, Marjorie Morris, Karla Nicole, Lisa Rieger, Annie Ross, Bruce Schaefer, Jane Sharp, Sue, Jonah and Jada Woullard, Ted Wong.