

THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Please remember to confirm that you are muted.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The people join in singing the following hymn.

Opening Hymn #440

“Blessed Jesus at thy word”

Liebster Jesu

1 Bless - ed Je - sus, at thy word we are gath - ered all to
2 All our know - ledge, sense, and sight lie in deep - est dark - ness
3 Gra - cious Lord, thy - self im - part! Light of Light, from God pro -

hear thee; let our hearts and souls be stirred
shroud - ed, till thy Spi - rit breaks our night
ceed - ing, o - pen thou our ears and heart,

now to seek and love and fear thee; by thy teach - ings
with the beams of truth un - cloud - ed; thou a - lone to
help us by thy Spi - rit's plead - ing. Hear the cry thy

pure and ho - ly, drawn from earth to love thee sole - ly.
God canst win us; thou must work all good with - in us.
Church up - rais - es; hear, and bless our prayers and prais - es.

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Opening Acclamation

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

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

Song of Praise "Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers" John Rutter

1. Glo - ry to you, Lord
God of our fa - thers; you are wor - thy of praise;
glo - ry to you. 2. Glo - ry to you
for the ra - di - ance of your ho - ly Name; we will
praise you and high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.
3. Glo - ry to you in the splen - dor of your
tem - ple; on the throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to
you. 4. Glo - ry to you, seat - ed bet -
ween the Cher - u - bim; we will praise you and
high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.
5. Glo - ry to you, be - hold - ing the
depths; in the high vault of hea - ven, glo - ry to
you. 6. Glo - ry to you, Fa - ther,



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Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

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

Presider Let us pray.

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

First Reading: Isaiah 55:10-13

A Reading from the book of Isaiah.

As the rain and the snow come down from heaven,
and do not return there until they have watered the earth,
making it bring forth and sprout,
giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,
so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;
it shall not return to me empty,
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,
and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.
For you shall go out in joy,
and be led back in peace;
the mountains and the hills before you
shall burst into song,
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.
Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;
instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle;
and it shall be to the LORD for a memorial,
for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Reader Hear what the spirit is saying to God's people.
 People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn #505 "O Spirit of Life, O Spirit of God" *O heiliger Geist*
Verses 3 and 4 only

1 O Spi - rit of Life, O Spi - rit of God, in
 2 O Spi - rit of Life, O Spi - rit of God, in -
 3 O Spi - rit of Life, O Spi - rit of God, make
 4 O Spi - rit of Life, O Spi - rit of God, en -

ev - ery need thou bring - est aid; thou com - est
 crease our faith in our dear Lord; un - less thy
 us to love thy sa - cred word; the ho - ly
 light - en us by that same word; teach us to

forth from God's great throne, from God, the Fa - ther and the
 grace the power should give, none can be - lieve in Christ and
 flame of love im - part, that char - i - ty may warm each
 know the Fa - ther's love, and his dear Son, who reigns a -

Son; O Spi - rit of Life, O Spi - rit of God.
 live; O Spi - rit of Life, O Spi - rit of God.
 heart; O Spi - rit of Life, O Spi - rit of God.
 bove; O Spi - rit of Life, O Spi - rit of God.

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Gospel Reading: Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

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

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

Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!"

"Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sermon The Rev. Eric Biddy

Nicene Creed *Said by 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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly 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 and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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

Deacon

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord,
saying "Lord have mercy."

Leader

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity
of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the
Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, including those we now name . . . let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, including Nick and Sherry, Barbara, Kevin, David, Liam, Charlene and others we now name . . .

Let us thank the Lord for all the blessings of this life, including the birthdays this week of **CeCelia** Cancellare (7/13), **John** (Ramsey, 7/13), **Greg** Dunlavey (7/14), **Lucy** Bidy (7/15), **Nina** Cancellare (7/16), **Max** Maas (7/16), **Samuel** Turk (7/17), **Wyatt** Turk (7/17); the anniversary of **Chris & Thayer** Jabin (7/13); and other blessings we now name

In the communion of Christopher and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

Presider Almighty God, we entrust all who are dear to us to your never-failing care and love, for this life and the life to come, knowing that you are doing for them better things than we can desire or pray for; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Confession and Absolution

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

*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.*

Presider 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

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

All greet one another in the name of Christ.

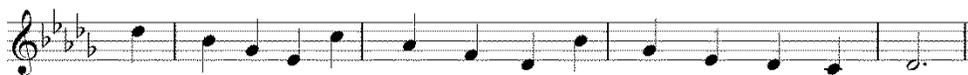
Welcome and Announcements

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Offertory Hymn #589 "Almighty God, your word is cast" *Walden*



1 Al - might - y God, your word is cast like seed up - on the ground,
2 Let not our self - ish - ness and hate this ho - ly seed re - move,
3 Let not the world's de - ceit - ful cares the ris - ing plant des - troy,



now let the dew of heaven de - scend and right - eous fruits a - bound.
but give it root in ev - ery heart to bring forth fruits of love.
but let it yield a hun - dred - fold the fruits of peace and joy.

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The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Presider

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. 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:

Sanctus *Sung by all* Healy Willan

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of
Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -
- ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth
— in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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The Presider continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Presider and People

We remember his death

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

The Presider continues:

Remembering his death and resurrection, we long for the day when we can again all share the bread and wine together. Until that day, remind us that every meal is holy and that your Son awaits an invitation to our table. Though we cannot all share the body of Christ, send your Holy Spirit upon us that we might be the Body of Christ in our homes and in the world.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.**

Lord's Prayer

The Presider says,

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.

Silence

An Act of Spiritual Communion

The People pray together the following

*God of infinite mercy,
We thank you for Jesus our Savior, our true Mother
Who feeds us and gives us eternal life.
Though we cannot consume the gifts of bread and wine,
We thank you that we have received the sacrament of Christ's presence,
The forgiveness of sins, and all other benefits of Christ's passion.
Grant that we may continue for ever in the Risen Life of our Savior,
Who with you and the Holy Spirit,
Lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. Amen.*

Silence, and then the People join in this prayer:

*Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with your Word
and living presence among us, and for assuring us
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.*

The Blessing

All join (muted) in singing the closing hymn printed on the following page.

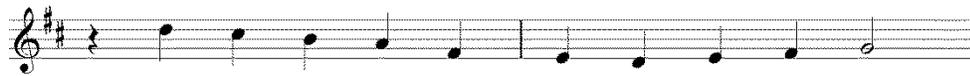
Closing Hymn #698 "Eternal Spirit of the living Christ" *Flentge*



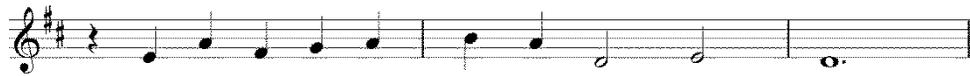
1 E - ter - nal Spi - rit of the liv - ing Christ,
2 Come, pray in me the prayer I need this day;
3 Come with the vi - sion and the strength I need



I know not how to ask or what to say;
help me to see your pur - pose and your will—
to serve my God, and all hu - man - i - ty;



I on - ly know my need, as deep as life,
where I have failed, what I have done a - miss;
ful - fill - ment of my life in love out - poured—



and on - ly you can teach me how to pray.
held in for - giv - ing love, let me be still.
my life in you, O Christ, your love in me.

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Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

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