

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2023

THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

GATHER US IN

PRELUDE 10:30 only

Welcome

GATHERING HYMN 10:30 only. Stand.

this place 1. Here in new light is stream - ing, 2. We the youngare our lives are a mys - t'ry, 3. Here we will take the wine and wa - ter, the Now ness van - ished a - way, is the dark We the old who yearn for your face, are Here we will take the bread of new birth, 10 See in this space and our dream - ings, our fears We have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry, Here you shall call your sons and your daugh - ters, light of this Brought here the day. to you in light whole hu - man Called to be to the race. Call us a - new to be salt for the earth. D 7 Gath - er in the lost for - sak - en, us and the haugh - ty, Gath - er in the rich and us the Give us drink wine of com - pas - sion, to Gath - er the in the blind and lame; us Gath - er inthe proud and the strong; us Give us bread that to eat the you; is 10 D Call to now. and we shall wak - en, us a -Give us heart meek and low - ly, a SO so Nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion We shall a - rise at the sound of our name. Give the cour-age the us to en - ter song. hearts that are Lives that are ho - ly and true.

OPENING ACCLAMATIONS Stand

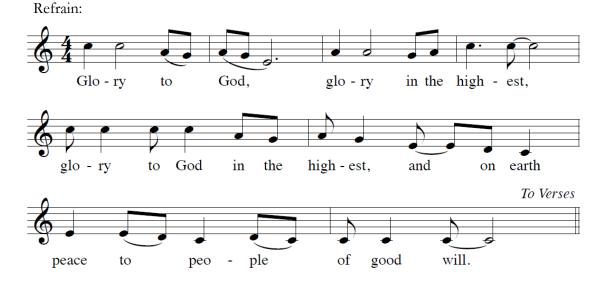
Presider	We meet in the name of God,
	Creator of the universe,
	source of True humanity.
	Mother and Father of all.
People	Amen.
Presider	We meet in the name of Jesus,
	Word made flesh,
	Savior of fallen humanity,
	lover of all.
People	Amen.
Presider	We meet in the name of the Holy Spirit,
	Lord and giver of life,
	Midwife of new humanity,
	Inspirer of all.
People	Amen.
Presider	Come then, eternal God,
People	Be present here,
	Befriend us here,
	Renew us here.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Presider Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our heart by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

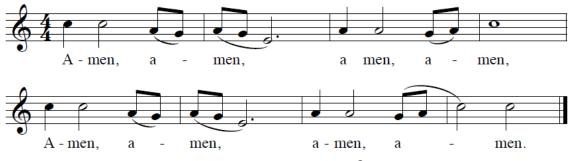
GLORIA At 8am, only refrain sung twice. At 10:30, all sung.



We praise you,
 we bless you, we adore you,
 we glorify you,
 we give you thanks for your great glory, for your great glory
 Lord God, heavenly King,
 O God, almighty Father. Refrain

2. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand, the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us. Refrain

3. For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. To Amen below



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

PresiderGod be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.PresiderLet us pray.PresiderO Gentle Guide, who leads us with cords of human kindness and bands of love: Help us ever-
more to walk in your ways, that we may lead others to the joy of your saving grace; in the
name of your Beloved, our Redeemer, Jesus Christ.PeopleAmen.

We Hear THE SACRED STORIES Sit

THE FIRST LESSON

Reader

A reading from the book of Exodus.

16:2-15

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

Then the Lord said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days." So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "In the evening you shall know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your complaining against the Lord. For what are we, that you complain against us?" And Moses said, "When the Lord gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the Lord has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the Lord."

Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining." And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. The Lord spoke to Moses and said, "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God."

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat.

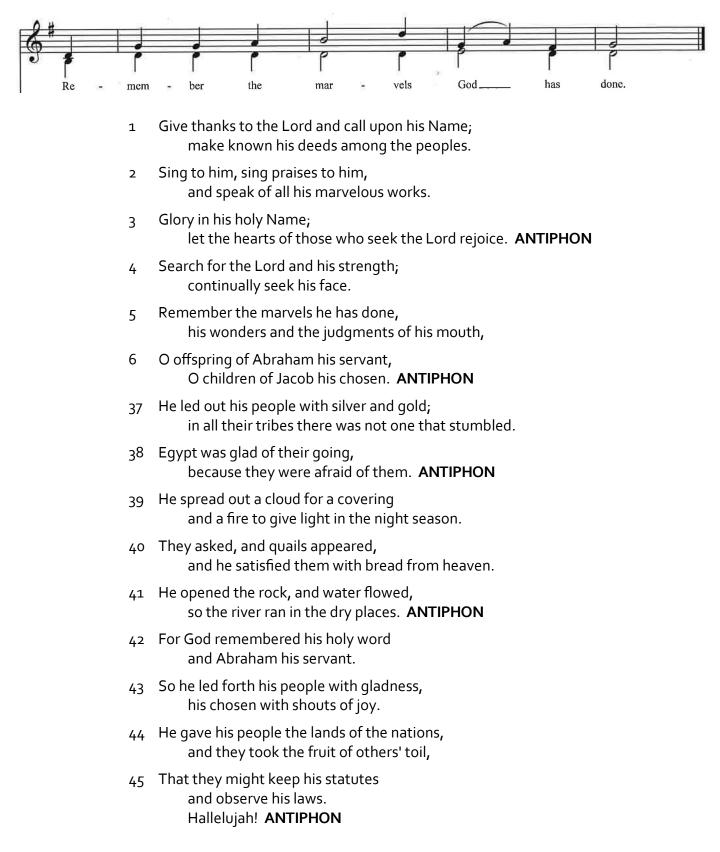
The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM OF THE DAY At 8am, spoken.

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At 10:30, cantor sings through once, congregation then joins.



THE SECOND LESSON

Reader A r

A reading from the letter to the Philippians.

1:21-30

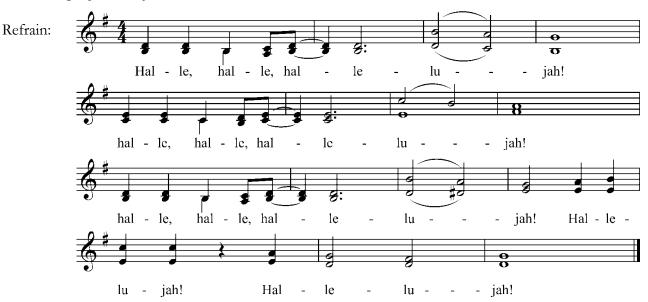
To me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well-- since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ANTIPHON Stand HALLE, HALLE, HALLELUJAH



At 8am, sing refrain only.

Verse: Oh, God to whom shall we go?

You alone have the words of life,

Let your words be our prayer and the song we sing:

Hallelujah, hallelujah. repeat refrain

The Gospel

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. 20:1-16

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

GOSPEL ANTIPHON At 10:30 only, sing the refrain music on previous page one time through.

SERMON Sit

THE REV. LAURIE ANZILOTTI

THE NICENE CREED Stand

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 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Deacon Siblings, the Lord is full of compassion and mercy. Let us then pray to the Lord, saying, "You, O God, are our hope, we trust you hear us."

After each prayer, please respond "we trust you hear us."

Presider Reshape us, Good Lord, until in generosity and in faith and in expectation that the best is yet to come, we are truly-Christ-like. Make us passionate followers of Jesus rather than passive supporters. Make our churches cells of radical discipleship and signposts to heaven, then in us, through us and-if needed be-despite us, let your kingdom come.

People Amen.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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

Silence is kept for a time.

People	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.	
Presider People	Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen.	
Тне Реасе		
Presider	The peace of the Lord be with you always.	
People	And also with you.	
Presider	Let us offer each other a sign of that peace.	
We invite you to extend the peace of God to those in the congregation.		

ANNOUNCEMENTS Sit

WE GATHER AT CHRIST'S TABLE

We return with thanksgiving the gifts God has given us. This includes bread and wine of the earth and financial offerings from our labor. Representatives of the congregation bring these to the common Eucharistic table.

OFFERTORY 8:00 only

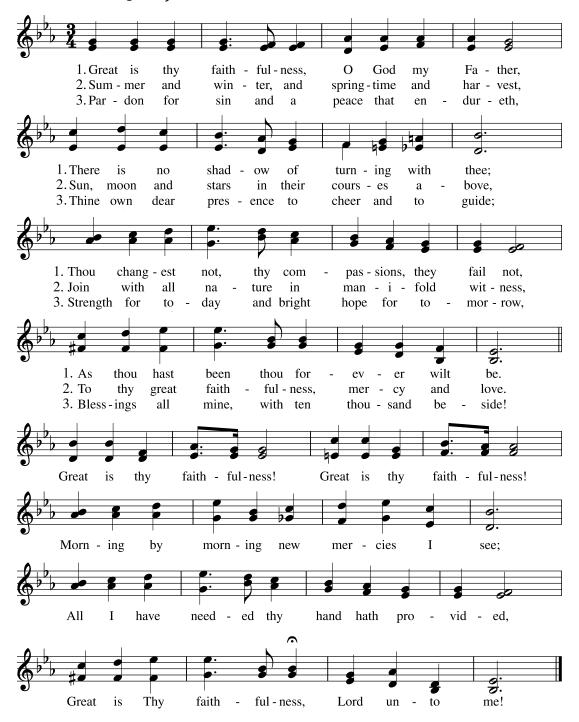
GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS PERFORMED BY CHRIS RICE

The congregation listens as the Deacon prepares the table.

OFFERTORY 10:30 only

GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS

LEVAS 189



The following is sung as ushers present the offerings. Please stand. 10:30 only

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below. Praise God above you heavenly host: praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

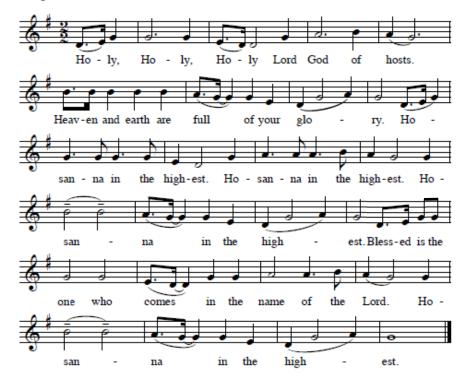
Presider	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Presider	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them to the Lord.
Presider	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give our thanks and praise.
Presider	All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to human- kind. Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our jour- ney; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all cre- ation as we shout with joy:
Say at 8am:	
People	Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.



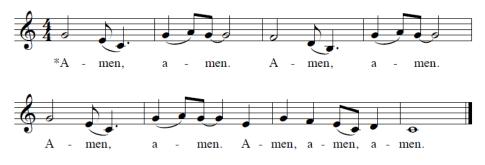
Sing at 10:30am:

The people stand or kneel.

Presider	Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.
	We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."
	After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."
	And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:
People	Dying, you destroyed our death. Rising, you restored our life. Christ Jesus, come in glory!
Presider	Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with St. Francis, St. Clare and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspira- tion of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Amen

Sing two times at 10:30.



^{*}Pronounced: Ay-men.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

People 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.

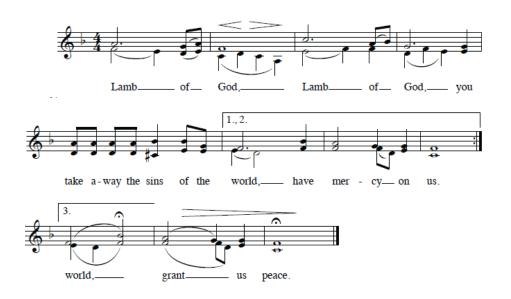
THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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

Presider Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

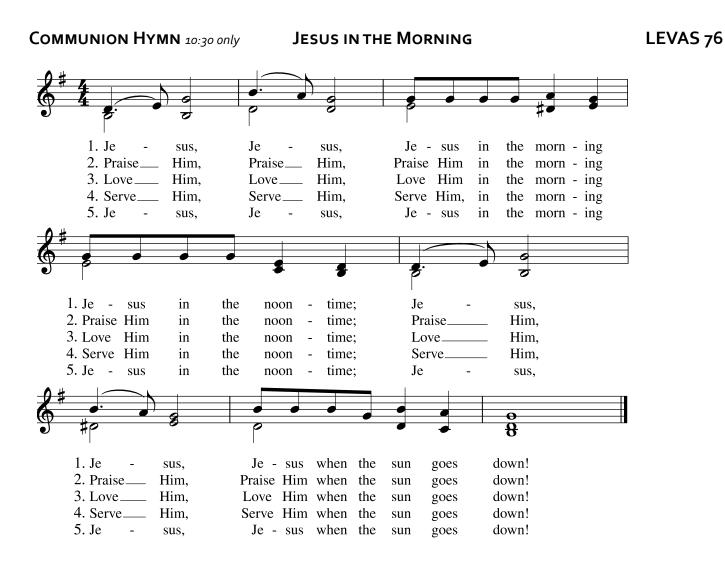
People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

FRACTION ANTHEM At 8am, spoken



Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Our bread is gluten-, dairy- and nut-free. This Eucharistic table does not belong to the Episcopal Church or to St. Francis'. This is God's table, and all are welcome. In the Episcopal Church, we receive both the bread and wine, the Body and Blood of Jesus. If you choose not to receive communion, please come forward and cross your arms over your heart to receive a blessing.



Post-Communion Prayer Stand

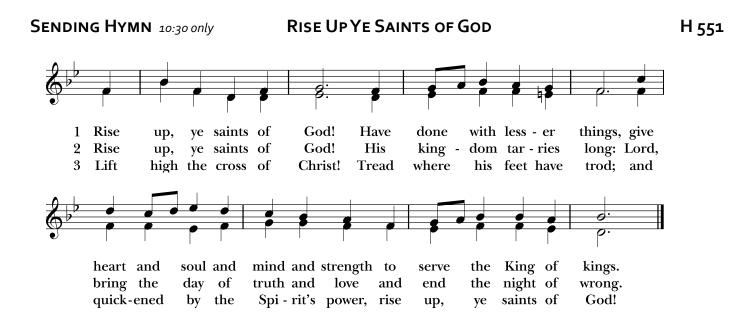
Presider Let us pray.

All Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing

Presider The Wisdom of God, the Love of God, and the Grace of God strengthen you to be Christ's hands and heart in this world, in the name of the Holy Trinity.

People Amen.



DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God!

We love pictures and videos, and we love sharing what we do on social media. When attending our events or services, you agree to our using pictures of you and any children in your charge on social media and elsewhere. If you prefer not to be included in photos or video, please inform a staff member or usher.