

# The 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday After Pentecost October 31, 2021 9:00 am

Prelude A Prayer (from "Suite Gothique") Leon Boellman

Welcome

Processional Hymn Praise to the Living God Hymn 372

Praise to the living God!
All praiséd be his Name
who was, and is, and is to be
for ay the same.
The one eternal God
ere aught that now appears:
the first, the last, beyond all thought
his timeless years!

Formless, all lovely forms declare his loveliness; holy, no holiness of earth can his express.

Lo, he is Lord of all.

Creation speaks his praise, and everywhere above, below, his will obeys.

His Spirit floweth free, high surging where it will: in prophet's word he spoke of old; he speaketh still.

Established is his law, and changeless it shall stand, deep writ upon the human heart, on sea, on land.

Eternal life hath he implanted in the soul; his love shall be our strength and stay while ages roll.

Praise to the living God!

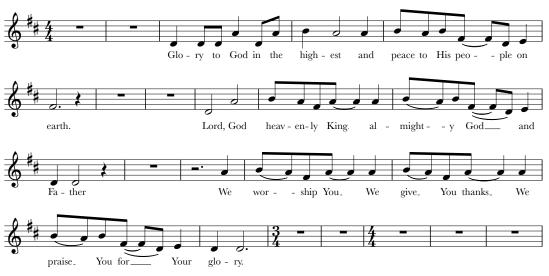
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## **Opening Acclamation**

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

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

Gloria David Hurd





# Collect of the Day

Clergy The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.

Clergy Let us pray.

Almighty and merciful God, it is only by your gift that your faithful people offer you true and laudable service: Grant that we may run without stumbling to obtain your heavenly promises; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

Reading Hebrews 9:11-14

When Christ came as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation), he entered once for all into the Holy Place, not with the blood of goats and calves, but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. For if the blood of goats and bulls, with the sprinkling of the ashes of a heifer, sanctifies those who have been defiled so that their flesh is purified, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to worship the living God!

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

## Psalm 119:1-8

Happy are they whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the Lord!

- Happy are they who observe his decrees and seek him with all their hearts!
- Who never do any wrong, but always walk in his ways.
- You laid down your commandments, that we should fully keep them.
- Oh, that my ways were made so direct that I might keep your statutes!
- Then I should not be put to shame, when I regard all your commandments.
- I will thank you with an unfeigned heart, when I have learned your righteous judgments.
- 8 I will keep your statutes; do not utterly forsake me.

# Sequence Hymn

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love

Hymn 602

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.

Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet, Master who acts as a slave to them.

Chorus

Neighbors are rich and poor, neighbors are black and white, neighbors are nearby and far away. Chorus

These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should love.

All are neighbors to us and you.

Chorus

Loving puts us on our knees, serving as though we were slaves; this is the way we should live with you.

Chorus

Holy Gospel Mark 12:28-34

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that [Jesus] answered them well, he asked him, "Which commandment is the first of all?" Jesus answered, "The first is, 'Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' The second is this, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these." Then the scribe said to him, "You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that 'he is one, and besides him there is no other'; and 'to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength,' and 'to love one's neighbor as oneself,'—this is much more important than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices." When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." After that no one dared to ask him any question.

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

#### The Nicene Creed

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

Leader

To God who so loved the world, let us pray with hearts full of love.

A brief silence.

For the church everywhere: In the Diocese of Central New York, we pray for our Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Dr. DeDe Duncan-Probe; and the people of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Syracuse and their rector, the Rev. Philip Major. We also pray for the people of Grace Episcopal Church in Utica and their rector, the Rev. Christine Williams-Belt. In our Companion Diocese of El Salvador we pray for the people of San Rafael Arcángel in Santa Ana and their priest, the Rev. German López. In the Episcopal Church, we pray for our Presiding Bishop, the Most Rev. Michael Curry; and the people of the Diocese of Northern California and their bishop, the Rt. Rev. Megan M. Traquair. And in the Anglican Communion, we pray for the people of the Episcopal/Anglican Province of Alexandria and their archbishop, the Most Rev. Mouneer Anis. May the church's life be marked by prayer and service to those in need. Loving God; hear us as we pray.

For peace among all peoples of the earth: may God redeem us from the slavery of selfishness. Loving God; hear us as we pray.

For the health and sustainability of the earth and all living things: may we grow as stewards of the marvelous gift you have given in all of creation. Loving God; hear us as we pray.

We acknowledge the Onondaga Nation of the Haudenosaunee People, the traditional custodians of the land on which we are worshipping today. We acknowledge that they have occupied and cared for this land over countless generations, and we celebrate their continuing contributions to the life of this region. Loving God; hear us as we pray.

For this nation and our local communities: may we continually seek to offer gifts of care and advocacy, intervention and support until all people live in justice and freedom. Loving God; hear us as we pray.

For those who suffer from any illness, be it physical, mental, or spiritual, especially those we name silently or aloud \_\_\_\_\_\_. May they know the healing touch of Jesus to be a source of rest, comfort, and restoration. Loving God; hear us as we pray.

For those we have loved but see no longer, especially those we name silently or aloud \_\_\_\_\_. May they live forever with God in Christ. Loving God; hear us as we pray.

Clergy

Hear our prayers, loving and gracious God, and receive them for the sake of your Son our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

### **Confession of Sin**

Clergy

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

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.

#### Absolution

Clergy

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

Clergy The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

#### Announcements

## Anniversary & Birthday Blessings

May the strength of God pilot you, May the power of God preserve you, May the wisdom of God instruct you, May the hand of God protect you, May the way of God direct you, May the shield of God guard you against the snares of evil and the temptations of the world. May the Spirit of God bless you in the coming year.

Adapted from Patrick, c.389 - c.46

Offertory How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place Kenneth Kosche

## The Holy Communion

# The Great Thanksgiving

Priest The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.

Priest Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Priest 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.

#### A Proper Preface is said here.

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



Holy and gracious Father: 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 Father of all. He 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 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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his 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 for ever. **AMEN**.

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.

### Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

#### The Communion

### Music at Communion

Let Thy Blood in Mercy Poured

Hymn 313

Let thy Blood in mercy poured, let thy gracious Body broken, be to me, O gracious Lord, of thy boundless love the token.

Thou didst give thyself for me, now I give myself to thee.

Thou didst die that I might live; blesséd Lord, thou cam'st to save me; all that love of God could give Jesus by his sorrows gave me.

By the thorns that crowned thy brow, by the spear-wound and the nailing, by the pain and death, I now claim, O Christ, thy love unfailing.

Wilt thou own the gift I bring? All my penitence I give thee; thou art my exalted King, of thy matchless love forgive me.

## The Postcommunion Prayer

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Blessing

Clergy

Now may God, who gives seed to the sower and grain to the reaper, provide all that we need so that we may produce a rich harvest of faith, love, justice, and joy for the good of the earth and its people and to the glory of God.

And the blessing of God, Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer, be with you all now and evermore.

All Amen.

**Closing Hymn** 

Rise Up, Ye Saints of God!

Hymn 551

Rise up, ye saints of God! Have done with lesser things, give heart and soul and mind and strength to serve the King of kings.

> Rise up, ye saints of God! His kingdom tarries long:

Lord, bring the day of truth and love and end the night of wrong.

Lift high the cross of Christ! Tread where his feet have trod; and quickened by the Spirit's power, rise up, ye saints of God!

#### **Dismissal**

Clergy Reconciled to God, made a new creation in Christ,

and anointed by the Holy Spirit,

go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Congregation remains in place until choir recesses

Postlude

Ushers

Finale (from "Suite Gothique")

Organ music today features the "Suite Gothique" by the prominent French organist and composer, Leon Boellman (1862 – 1897). This suite is in 4 movements. Boellman became known as a "dedicated teacher, trenchant critic, gifted composer and successful performer...who coaxed pleasing sounds out of recalcitrant instruments". This music has been chosen for today because the Finale, today's postlude, has a wonderfully eerie tune, that seems appropriate for the liturgical Feast Day – All Hallow's Eve – Halloween!

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