

PROPER 25: TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST OCTOBER 25, 2020 - 8:00 A.M.

The service begins on p. 323 of the Book of Common Prayer (BCP)

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

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, & art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Celebrant **People** The Lord be with you. **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

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Almighty and everlasting God, give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain that which thou dost promise, make us to love that which thou dost command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Lesson: Leviticus 19:1-2,15-18

The Lord spoke to Moses, saying: Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the Lord your God am holy. You shall not render an unjust judgment; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbor. You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not profit by the blood of your neighbor: I am the Lord. You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbor, or you will incur guilt yourself. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the Lord.

Minister The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm: 1

- 1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, * nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
- 2 Their delight is in the law of the Lord, * and they meditate on his law day and night.
- 3 They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; *

everything they do shall prosper.

4 It is not so with the wicked;**

they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

- 5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, * nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- 6 For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, * but the way of the wicked is doomed.

Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even

so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel: Matthew 22:34-46

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

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets." Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying, "The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet"? If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

Minister The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; \(\mathbb{\pi}\) and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord, especially the Anglican Communion; the Church in Wales; the Episcopal Church; the Diocese of Springfield, St. Andrew's, and the Cathedral Church of St. Paul, Springfield; the Diocese of Tabora and St. Stephen's Cathedral; the Diocese of Peru; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, especially Justin (Archbishop of Canterbury); John (Archbishop of Wales); Michael (Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church); Daniel (Bishop of Springfield); Ben (Rector of St. Andrew's); Andrew (Dean of the Cathedral of St. Paul, Springfield); Elias (Bishop of Tabora); Jorge (Bishop of Peru); that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially Donald, J.B., Hal, and all executives, legislatures, and courts, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor Marin, Little Bobby, Tom, Lynn Ann, Don, Gary, Amanda, Pam, Kathryn, Iris, Mike, Laura, Tonya, Helen, Maggie, Tom, Sammie, Kim, Asa, Deane, the Schuh family, the Pezza family, Carla, and all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

We celebrate the birthdays of August and Emma, and we pray for the upcoming baptism of William. I bid the further prayers and thanksgivings of the congregation.

Additional petitions and thanksgivings may be included here.

And we also bless # thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, especially Ruth and Peter, beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of the ever blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Andrew, and of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

The Celebrant then says

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin - BCP p. 331

Ye who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbors, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and make your humble confession to Almighty God, devoutly kneeling.

All kneel. Silence may be kept. Then all say

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, **A** pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. Matthew 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *John 3:16*

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. 1 Timothy 1:15

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the perfect offering for our sins, and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole world. 1 John 2:1-2

The Peace - BCP p. 332; All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Then the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Holy Communion

The Offertory - The Celebrant begins the Offertory with a sentence of Scripture.

The Great Thanksgiving - BCP p. 333; The people standing.

CelebrantPeopleCelebrantThe Lord be with you.And with thy spirit.Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Sanctus - Celebrant and People

Holy \triangle , holy \triangle , holy \triangle , Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. $mathred{H}$ Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The people kneel or stand. Then the celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again. \triangle

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me." \maltese \bigtriangleup \bigtriangleup

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.** ¥

The Lord's Prayer - BCP p. 336

And now, as our Savior Christ hath 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.

The Breaking of the Bread - BCP p. 337

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

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

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, **Have mercy upon us.**

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

Have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, **Grant us thy peace.**

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Facing the people, the Celebrant may say the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

and may add Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The ministers receive the Sacrament, and then deliver it to the people. (Note: Communion will be in one kind, host only, and distributed standing at the step to the choir. Communicants are asked to wait to consume the Sacrament until they have stepped to the side of the church or returned to their pew.)

Post-Communion Prayer - BCP p. 339

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, gives the blessing

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.

The Deacon, or the Celebrant, may dismiss the People with these words

| <i>Either</i> | Let us go forth in the name of Christ. |
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| Or | Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. |
| Or | Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. |

Or Let us bless the Lord. **People** Thanks be to God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR OCTOBER 25, 2020

SCHEDULE

| Sun., 10/25 | 8 a.m. 10 a.m. | Holy Eucharist, Rite I (<i>In person</i>) Holy Eucharist, Rite II (<i>In person and Facebook live</i>) |
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| | 10 a.111. | Outdoor Coffee Hour |
| | 12 p.m. | Communion Station |
| | 7 p.m. | Evening Prayer |
| Mon., 10/26 | 7 p.m. | Compline |
| Tues., 10/27 | 12:05 p.m. | Noonday Prayer & Midday Moment |
| , | 5:00 p.m. | Children's Ministry (Zoom) |
| Wed., $10/28$ | 12:05 p.m. | Noonday Prayer & Midday Moment |
| | 6 p.m. | Psalms Study |
| | 7 p.m. | Holy Eucharist, Feast of St. Simon and St. Jude |
| Thur., 10/29 | 12:05 p.m. | Noonday Prayer & Midday Moment |
| Fri., $10/30$ | 9 a.m. | Morning Prayer |
| | 6 p.m. | Edwardsville Drive Thru Trick-or-Treat |
| Sat., $10/24$ | 7 p.m. | Compline |
| Sun., 10/25 | 8 a.m. | Holy Eucharist, Rite I (In person) |
| | 10 a.m. | Holy Eucharist, Rite II (In person and Facebook live) |
| | | Outdoor Coffee Hour |
| | 12 p.m. | Communion Station |
| | 7 p.m. | Evening Prayer |

NOTICES

- + We are asking for the following assistance:
 - 8 a.m. attendees: Following the service, please wipe down the immediate area in which you sat with wipes available in the Narthex.
 - 10 a.m. attendees:
 - On your way in, please wipe down the immediate area in which you plan to sit with wipes available in the Narthex.
 - ♦ Please note that only the celebrant or a designated cantor will be singing. Attendees are invited to speak the liturgical elements (chanted responses and service music: *Gloria, Sanctus, Lord's Prayer, Agnus Dei*) and to either speak or pray silently the text of the hymns.
- + While the weather is nice, we will have outdoor coffee hours immediately following the 10 a.m. service. It's BYOC (Bring Your Own Coffee/Chair) on the back lawn for some in-person fellowship.
- + We are planning to get our ministry to children up and running with a Zoom meeting on Tuesday at 5:00 p.m. We will have a story, lesson, craft, and a chance to catch up with friends. For more information, contact Nichole DeWall or Fr. Ben.
- + The Psalms classes are being consolidated from two sessions to one evening session and will meet via Zoom on Wednesdays at 6 p.m.
- + We will keep the Feast of Sts. Simon and Jude on Wednesday with Holy Eucharist at 7 p.m.
- + This Friday, we will be participating in the Edwardsville Drive Thru Trick-or-Treat. If you would like to contribute candy to be handed out, please drop it by the church a bin will be available inside the doors to Pearson Hall and outside of the ramped entrance to the basement.
- + Next Sunday, we will celebrate the Feast of All Saints next Sunday followed by the Commemoration of All Faithful Departed, or All Souls' Day, on Monday, November 2. We will keep that day with a Requiem Eucharist. The Necrology is available on a table in the Narthex. Please list those to be remembered their or by submitting the names to Fr. Ben's email.
- + Please sign in if you come to the church at any point during the week, including Sundays. This helps us with contact tracing in the event of a positive Covid diagnosis.
- + Our stewardship campaign has begun. Be on the lookout for materials from the Stewardship committee and go ahead and mark your calendars for November 8. That will be our ingathering celebration, so get your pledge in by mail or online prior to that date. Thank you for the ongoing faithful stewardship in this time. Please consider giving online or mailing pledges to the church.

Blessed, praised, worshipped, hallowed, and adored be Jesus Christ on his throne of glory in heaven, in the most holy Sacrament of the altar, and in the hearts of his faithful people; **Mand may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

SUGGESTED PRAYERS FOR THOSE RECEIVING COMMUNION

66. Before Receiving Communion, BCP p. 834

Be present, be present, O Jesus, our great High Priest, as you were present with your disciples, and be known to us in the breaking of bread; who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

67. After Receiving Communion, BCP p. 834

O Lord Jesus Christ, who in a wonderful Sacrament hast left unto us a memorial of thy passion: Grant us, we beseech thee, so to venerate the sacred mysteries of thy Body and Blood, that we may ever perceive within ourselves the fruit of thy redemption; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

ADDITIONAL PRIVATE PRAYERS

69. On Sunday, BCP p. 835

O God our King, by the resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ on the first day of the week, you conquered sin, put death to flight, and gave us the hope of everlasting life: Redeem all our days by this victory; forgive our sins, banish our fears, make us bold to praise you and to do your will; and steel us to wait for the consummation of your kingdom on the last great Day; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

64. Before Worship, BCP p. 833

O Almighty God, who pourest out on all who desire it the spirit of grace and of supplication: Deliver us, when we draw near to thee, from coldness of heart and wanderings of mind, that with steadfast thoughts and kindled affections we may worship thee in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

68. After Worship, BCP p. 834

Grant, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that the words which we have heard this day with our outward ears, may, through thy grace, be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honor and praise of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.