TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 9, 2020 8:00 AM Service

Holy Communion: Rite One





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Services: Sunday at 8 and 10 AM • Wednesday at 10 AM • Saturday at 5 PM

OUR SUNDAY SERVICES ARE LIVESTREAMED

WELCOME TO GOOD SHEPHERD

During this time of social distancing: Please sit in one of the spaces in a pew marked with a piece of white masking tape. People in the same household may sit together, but everyone else should sit 6 feet apart.

Restrooms: Handicap-accessible restrooms are located to the right as you go up the ramp through the archway across from the doors of the sanctuary.

Hymnals, Prayer Books and Bibles are in a bookcase in the back of the church. If you would like to use one, please take one and return it in the box after the service.

We have gluten-free wafers available: Please tell us when you come to the altar rail.

Symbols in the Bulletin: P Priest, D Deacon, C Congregation, L Leader

Standing, sitting, and kneeling: Throughout the bulletin there are invitations to stand, sit or kneel, as you choose. You are free to be seated at any time when that is best for you.

A gentle reminder: please silence your mobile phone before the service.

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE Adagio F. Mendelssohn

[During the Prelude, please prepare for worship by observing attentive silence.]

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

[Please remain seated.]

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

[Please stand.]

- P Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
- And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.

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

COLLECT OF THE DAY

- P The Lord be with you.
- And with thy Spirit.
- Let us pray... ... O God our defender, storms rage around and within us and cause us to be afraid. Rescue your people from despair, deliver your sons and daughters from fear, and preserve us in the faith of your Son, Jesus, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

The Readings: 1 Kings 19:9-15, 18, Psalm 85:8-13, Romans 10:5-15, Matthew 14:22-33 [*Please be seated.*]

The First Reading

The First Reading is taken from 1 Kings, Chapter 19...

Elijah went into a cave and spent the night.

The Lord's word came to him and said, "Why are you here, Elijah?"

Elijah replied, "I've been very passionate for the Lord God of heavenly forces because the Israelites have abandoned your covenant. They have torn down your altars, and they have murdered your prophets with the sword. I'm the only one left, and now they want to take my life too!"

The Lord said, "Go out and stand at the mountain before the Lord. The Lord is passing by." A very strong wind tore through the mountains and broke apart the stones before the Lord. But the Lord wasn't in the wind. After the wind, there was an earthquake. But the Lord wasn't in the earthquake. After the earthquake, there was a fire. But the Lord wasn't in the fire. After the fire, there was a sound. Thin. Quiet. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his coat. He went out and stood at the cave's entrance. A voice came to him and said, "Why are you here, Elijah?"

He said, "I've been very passionate for the Lord God of heavenly forces because the Israelites have abandoned your covenant. They have torn down your altars, and they have murdered your prophets with the sword. I'm the only one left, and now they want to take my life too."

The Lord said to him, "Go back through the desert to Damascus and anoint Hazael as king of Aram."

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

The Psalm

- L We will read responsively Psalm 85...
- L I will listen to what the LORD God is saying, for he is speaking peace to his faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to him.
- Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him that his glory may dwell in our land.
- L Mercy and truth have met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
- **☑** Truth shall spring up from the earth, and righteousness shall look down from heaven.
- L The LORD will indeed grant prosperity, and our land will yield its increase.
- Righteousness shall go before him, and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

The Second Reading

■ The Second Reading is taken from Romans, chapter 10

Moses writes about the righteousness that comes from the Law: *The person who does these things will live by them.* But the righteousness that comes from faith talks like this: *Don't say in your heart*, "*Who will go up into heaven?*" (that is, to bring Christ down) or "*Who will go down into the region below?*" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? *The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart* (that is, the message of faith that we preach). Because if you confess with your mouth "Jesus is Lord" and in your heart you have faith that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. Trusting with the heart leads to righteousness, and confessing with the mouth leads to salvation. The scripture says, *All who have faith in him won't be put to shame*. There is no distinction between Jew and Greek, because the same Lord is Lord of all, who gives richly to all who call on him. *All who call on the Lord's name will be saved*.

So how can they call on someone they don't have faith in? And how can they have faith in someone they haven't heard of? And how can they hear without a preacher? And how can they preach unless they are sent? As it is written, *How beautiful are the feet of those who announce the good news.*

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

The Gospel

[Please stand.]

- The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
- Glory be to thee, O Lord.
- Pight then, Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go ahead to the other side of the lake while he dismissed the crowds. When he sent them away, he went up onto a mountain by himself to pray. Evening came and he was alone. Meanwhile, the boat, fighting a strong headwind, was being battered by the waves and was already far away from land. Very early in the morning he came to his disciples, walking on the lake. When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified and said, "It's a ghost!" They were so frightened they screamed.

Just then Jesus spoke to them, "Be encouraged! It's me. Don't be afraid." Peter replied, "Lord, if it's you, order me to come to you on the water."

And Jesus said, "Come." Then Peter got out of the boat and was walking on the water toward Jesus. But when Peter saw the strong wind, he became frightened. As he began to sink, he shouted, "Lord, rescue me!"

Jesus immediately reached out and grabbed him, saying, "You man of weak faith! Why did you begin to have doubts?"

When they got into the boat, the wind settled down.

Then those in the boat worshipped Jesus and said, "You must be God's Son!"

- **D** The Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON

Cindy Roehl

[Please be seated.]

THE NICENE CREED

[Please 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 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

[Please sit, stand, or kneel, as you prefer.]

- D Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.
- L Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all humanity 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; 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. Gracious God,
- Hear our prayer.

Li Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops, especially to Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Dabney, our Bishop; Barry and Michael, our Assisting Bishops; Becky, our Rector; Cindy, our Deacon; Ann, our Priest Associate; to our companion diocese of the Dominican Republic; to these Episcopal Churches in our Diocese; St. Francis', Tampa; St. Peter's, Plant City; Holy Innocents, Valrico, and the Clearwater Deanery Collaboration Partners; and to all priests, deacons, and the laity in their ministry; that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments. Gracious God,

Hear our prayer.

L 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. Gracious God,

Hear our prayer.

Let We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land, especially President Trump, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world. We pray that all God's children might live in the hope of the world peace for which we are created. Gracious God,

Hear our prayer.

Leave time...] And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor [Add handwritten names from notebook] and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially those listed in the weekly news who have asked for our prayers, and those we now name aloud or in your hearts. [Leave time...] Gracious God,

Hear our prayer.

■ 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. We give thanks for the flowers given today by Diane & Terry Linton in celebration of their one-year wedding anniversary and for the birthdays this coming week of Tony Bowman, Paul Martin, and Tony Hill, and for those celebrating anniversaries this week, Cal & Marilyn Ringquist and Gail & Jeff Griffin. Gracious God,

Hear our prayer.

Leave also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, [especially... add names from notebook]. And those we name, silently or aloud. [Leave time...] We beseech thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. God of Justice,

Hear our prayer.

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

Amen.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

[Please kneel or stand.]

- D Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God. [Silence is kept.] Most merciful God, . . .
- We confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole

heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

- P 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, 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.

THE GREETING OF PEACE

[Please stand. **During this time of social distancing,** a wave or bow, accompanied by a smile and "the Peace of the Lord be with you," will do nicely.]

- P The peace of the Lord be always with you.
- And with thy spirit.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

D Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

[Please be seated. The offering plates are on stands in the front and the back of the church. If you wish, you may place an offering there.]

OFFERTORY

O Rest in the Lord (Elijah)

F. Mendelssohn

THE PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERINGS

[Please stand when invited by the Deacon.]

- D As we receive these gifts, we acknowledge
- All things come from thee, O Lord, and of thine own have we given thee.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer II

- P The Lord be with you.
- And with thy spirit.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- **ఆ** We lift them up unto the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
- (a) It is meet and right so to do.
- P 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, Creator of the light and source of life, who hast made us in thine image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore, with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,
- ❷ Holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

[Please kneel or stand, as you choose.]

- P All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for 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.
- P For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke 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 this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, 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."
- 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. And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.
- And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;
- P By whom, and with whom, and in 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

- P 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

- P We break this Bread to share in the Body of Christ.
- **19** Though we are many, we are one body, for we all share in the one Bread.

P 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.

[You may be seated. All are welcome at the Lord's Table. Please follow the directions of the usher, who will let you know when it's your turn to go to the altar rail. **During this time of social distancing, we need to approach the altar rail one at a time.** Small cups with a wafer and wine will be on the altar rail. Please pick them up and consume them in turn when the server invites you to with the words, "The Body of Christ, the Bread of Heaven" and "The Blood of Christ, the Cup of Salvation." Place the cups you used into the basket on the altar rail. When you are finished, please return to your seat by the side aisle.]

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

[Please kneel or stand, as you choose.]

- P 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 BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

[Please stand.]

P Deep peace of the running wave to you.

Deep peace of the flowing air to you.

Deep peace of the quiet earth to you.

Deep peace of the shining stars to you.

Deep peace of the love of God to you.

The blessing of our Triune God, God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit, be upon you now and forever.

- Amen.
- D Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
- Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE Built on a Rock W. Held

SERVING US TODAY

Celebrant & Preacher Becky Robbins-Penniman

Deacon Cindy Roehl Associate Ann Chaplin

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