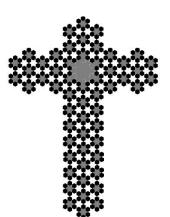
The Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

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Sunday Services at 8 and 10 AM • Wed. Service at 10 AM • Sat. Service at 5 PM

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

Voluntary in G

W. WALOND

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

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND MISSION MOMENT

ACCLAMATION

PRELUDE

[Please stand.] Symbols in the Bulletin P Priest, D Deacon, C Congregation, L Leader, M Everyone.

- P Blessed be God Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
- And blessed be his 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.
- ▶ Lord, have mercy upon us.
- **G** Christ, have mercy upon us.
- ▶ Lord, have mercy upon us.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And with thy Spirit.
- Let us pray.... O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without you nothing is strong, nothing is holy. Embrace us with your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may live through wat is temporary without losing what is eternal; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- G Amen.

The Readings Isaiah 65:17-25, Canticle 9, Acts 17:22,24-28, Luke 21:5-19 [Please be seated.]

The First Reading

L The First Reading is taken from Isaiah, chapter 65...

Look! I'm creating a new heaven and a new earth: past events won't be remembered; they won't come to mind. Be glad and rejoice forever in what I'm creating, because I'm creating Jerusalem as a joy and her people as a source of gladness.

I will rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad about my people. No one will ever hear the sound of weeping or crying in it again. No more will babies live only a few days, or the old fail to live out their days. The one who dies at a hundred will be like a young person, and the one falling short of a hundred will seem cursed. They will build houses and live in them; they will plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They won't build for others to live in, nor plant for others to eat. Like the days of a tree will be the days of my people; my chosen will make full use of their handiwork. They won't labor in vain, nor bear children to a world of horrors, because they will be people blessed by the Lord, they along with their descendants. Before they call, I will answer; while they are still speaking, I will hear. Wolf and lamb will graze together, and the lion will eat straw like the ox, but the snake—its food will be dust. They won't hurt or destroy at any place on my holy mountain, says the Lord.

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

The Psalm

- L We will read responsively Canticle 9...
- L Surely, it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and not be afraid.
- G For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, and he will be my Savior.
- **L** Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing from the springs of salvation.
- And on that day you shall say, give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;
- L Make his deeds known among the peoples; see that they remember that his Name is exalted.
- Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, and this is known in all the world.
- Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.

The Second Reading

L The Second Reading is taken from Acts, chapter 17...

Paul stood up in the middle of the council on Mars Hill and said, "People of Athens, I see that you are very religious in every way. God, who made the world and everything in it, is Lord of heaven and earth. He doesn't live in temples made with human hands. Nor is God served by human hands, as though he needed something, since he is the one who gives life, breath, and everything else. From one person God created every human nation to live on the whole earth, having determined their appointed times and the boundaries of their lands. God made the nations so they would seek him, perhaps even reach out to him and find him. In fact, God isn't far away from any of us. In God we live, move, and exist. As some of your own poets said, 'We are his offspring.'"

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

The Gospel

[Please stand.]

D The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

D Some people were talking about the temple, how it was decorated with beautiful stones and ornaments dedicated to God. Jesus said, "As for the things you are admiring, the time is coming when not even one stone will be left upon another. All will be demolished." They asked him, "Teacher, when will these things happen? What sign will show that these things are about to happen?" Jesus said, "Watch out that you aren't deceived. Many will come in my name, saying, 'I'm the one!' and 'It's time!' Don't follow them. When you hear of wars and rebellions, don't be alarmed. These things must happen first, but the end won't happen immediately."

Then Jesus said to them, "Nations and kingdoms will fight against each other. There will be great earthquakes and wide-scale food shortages and epidemics. There will also be terrifying sights and great signs in the sky. But before all this occurs, they will take you into custody and harass you because of your faith. They will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will provide you with an opportunity to testify. Make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance. I'll give you words and wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to counter or contradict. You will be betrayed by your parents, brothers and sisters, relatives, and friends. They will execute some of you. Everyone will hate you because of my name. Still, not a hair on your heads will be lost. By holding fast, you will gain your lives."

D The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

SERMON [Please be seated.] Becky Robbins-Penniman

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.

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. King of Love,

Hear our prayer.

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. Luke's, Fort Myers; St. Raphael's, Fort Myers Beach; and St. John's, Pine Island to 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. King of Love,

G 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. King of Love,

Hear our prayer.

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, especially those in the Middle East, might live in the hope of the world peace for which we are created. King of Love,

Hear our prayer.

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. I now invite you to pray for others by name, aloud or in your hearts. [Leave time...] King of Love,

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 in loving memory of Craig Morrison by his mother Christine McLaughlin and in loving memory of Ralph Miller by Pam Davis, and for all the blessings of this life. I invite you to name a blessing either silently or aloud. [Leave time...] King of Love,

Hear our prayer.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, [especially... add names from notebook]. Please add names of those on your heart, 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. King of Love,

G Hear our prayer.

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

G Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS OF SIN

[Please stand or kneel, as you choose.]

- 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.
- Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to 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.

G Amen.

PRAYERS AND BLESSINGS

THE PEACE

[Please stand.]

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

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

D Let us present our offerings to the Lord. Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendor, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours. All things come from you, and of your own we give you.

[If this is your first time worshiping with us, please let your offering be only the completed blue guest card, and let this service be our gift to you.]

OFFERTORY

PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERINGS

[Please stand when the offerings of bread, wine, and money are presented 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

- ▶ The Lord be with you.
- And with thy spirit.
- ▶ Lift up your hearts.
- We lift them up unto the Lord.
- ▶ Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
- It is meet and right so to do.
- 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, for by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. Therefore, with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Holy, 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.]

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.

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.
- G AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

- ▶ 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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

- P The living bread is broken for the life of the world.
- **G** Lord, unite us in this sign.
- ▶ The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ die 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. You may stand or kneel. To receive, hold your hands in front of you, one palm over the other. The priest will place a wafer there. You may either consume it immediately, and then sip from the cup of wine when it comes to you, or, you may wait and dip the wafer into the wine. When you are finished, please return to your seat by the side aisle.]

Our Prayer Team will be in the south narthex (at the back of the church) during Holy Communion to pray with you for healing, guidance, thanksgiving, for a loved one, or anything else on your heart.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION [Please kneel or stand, as you choose.]

- ▶ 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.]

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 God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit be upon you now and forever.

C Amen.

D Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God

POSTLUDE

Trumpet Tune

J. Stanley

SERVING US TODAY

Celebrant **Becky Robbins-Penniman** Cindy Roehl Deacon **Priest Associate** Ann Chaplin **Robert Moncrief** Organist Chalicist **Brett Dickie** Wendy Anderson Lector Prayers of the People **Brett Dickie** Prayer Team Priscilla & Tony Bowman **Diane Niford** Greeter **Butch Niford** Usher Building & Grounds Bob Roehl