October 6, 2024-Divine Service One

PRELUDE: "God's Own Child"

'God's Own Child" ~Lauren Delancy Jubilate Handbell Choir

WELCOME



INVOCATION:

- In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen
- L: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:

- Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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 justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- C: Amen.

→ SERVICE OF THE WORD →

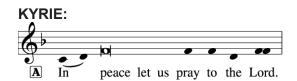
INTROIT:

Psalm 92:12-15; Read responsively

- L: It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to your name, O Most High.
- The righteous flourish like the palm tree and grow like a cedar in Lebanon.
- L: They are planted in the house of the LORD; they flourish in the courts of our God.
- They still bear fruit in old age; they are ever full of sap and green,

- L: To declare that the LORD is upright; He is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in Him.
- It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to your name, O Most High.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.







A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.





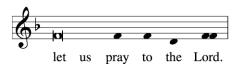
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



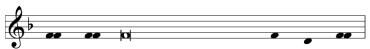




A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise







A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra-cious Lord.



THIS IS THE FEAST:



SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY:

- **L**: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- L: Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Genesis 2:18-25

Then the Lord God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper who is right for him."

The Lord God had formed all the wild animals and all the birds out of the ground. Then He brought them to the man to see what he would call them. Whatever the man called each creature became its name. So the man named all the domestic animals, all the birds, and all the wild animals.

But the man found no helper who was right for him. So the Lord God caused him to fall into a deep sleep. While the man was sleeping, the Lord God took out one of the man's ribs and closed up the flesh at that place. Then the Lord God formed a woman from the rib that he had taken from the man. He brought her to the man.

The man said,

"This is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh. She will be named *woman*

because she was taken from man."

That is why a man will leave his father and mother and will be united with his wife, and they will become one flesh. The man and his wife were both naked, but they weren't ashamed of it.-GW®

I: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: "Days of Creation" 9:30am Bethany Kindergarten-2nd Grade

EPISTLE READING: Hebrews 2:8b-18

When God put everything under His Son's control, nothing was left out.

However, at the present time we still don't see everything under His Son's control. Jesus was made a little lower than the angels, but we see Him crowned with glory and honor because He suffered death. Through God's kindness, He died on behalf of everyone. God is the One for whom and through whom everything exists. Therefore, while God was bringing many sons and daughters to glory, it was the right time to bring Jesus, the source of their salvation, to the end of His work through suffering.

Jesus, who makes people holy, and all those who are made holy have the same Father. That is why Jesus isn't ashamed to call them brothers and sisters. He says,

"I will tell My people about Your name.

I will praise You within the congregation."

In addition, Jesus says,

"I will trust Him."

And Jesus says,

"I am here with the sons and daughters God has given Me."

Since all of these sons and daughters have flesh and blood, Jesus took on flesh and blood to be like them. He did this so that by dying He would destroy the one who had power over death (that is, the devil). In this way He would free those who were slaves all their lives because they were afraid of dying. So Jesus helps Abraham's descendants rather than helping angels. Therefore, He had to become like His brothers and sisters so that He could be merciful. He became like them so that He could serve as a faithful chief priest in God's presence and make peace with God for their sins. Because Jesus experienced temptation when He suffered, He is able to help others when they are tempted. -GW®

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: "Joyous Jubilee" ~Brian J. Heinlein

Jubilate Handbell Choir

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.

G: Glory to You, O Lord.

HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 10:2-16

Some Pharisees came to test Him. They asked, "Can a husband divorce his wife?" Jesus answered them, "What command did Moses give you?"

They said, "Moses allowed a man to give his wife a written notice to divorce her."

Jesus said to them, "He wrote this command for you because you're heartless. But God made them male and female in the beginning, at creation. That's why a man will leave his father and mother and will remain united with his wife, and the two will be one. So they are no longer two but one. Therefore, don't let anyone separate what God has joined together."

When they were in a house, the disciples asked Him about this. He answered them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another woman is committing adultery. If a wife divorces her husband and marries another man, she is committing adultery."

Some people brought little children to Jesus to have Him hold them. But the disciples told the people not to do that.

When Jesus saw this, He became irritated. He told them, "Don't stop the children from coming to Me. Children like these are part of God's kingdom. I can guarantee this truth: Whoever doesn't receive God's kingdom as a little child receives it will never enter it."

Jesus put His arms around the children and blessed them by placing His hands on them. -GW®

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.



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SERMON: "Gathered: to Jesus as His Siblings" (Hebrews 2:8b-18)



CONFESSION OF FAITH: THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life
→ everlasting. Amen.

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CONSECRATION OF GIFTS:

- L: "What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?"
- "I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord."

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

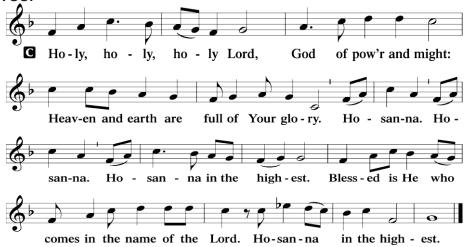
PREFACE:



It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. Grant us Your Spirit, gracious Father, that we may give heed to the testament of Your Son in true faith and, above all, firmly take to heart the words with which Christ gives to us His body and blood for our forgiveness. By Your grace, lead us to remember and give thanks for the boundless love which He manifested to us when, by pouring out His precious blood, He saved us from Your righteous wrath and from sin, death, and hell. Grant that we may receive the bread and wine, that is, His body and blood, as a gift, guarantee, and pledge of His salvation. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

SANCTUS:



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING:

L: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- C: Amen.
- Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

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, forever and ever. Amen.

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at Bethany in the joyful confession that our Lord gives us His very Body and Blood for the forgiveness of sins in this sacrament. God intends this gift for His children who recognize their sin, trust in Christ as their Savior, desire to live for Him alone and join in this joyful confession.

To prepare for communion you can find prayer prompts on the front page of the burgundy hymnal. Or simply pray: "Dear Lord Jesus, at Your gracious invitation, You invite me to come to You; to eat and drink Your holy body and blood as You Yourself have promised to give in this sacred meal. Forgive me of my sin, through this Your meal of Forgiveness. Let me experience the fullness of Your love, through this Your meal of love. Strengthen my faith, through this meal of Yours that calls for and bestows faith. Empower me to live for You, through this Your meal that promises life everlasting and equips me for daily living as one who has received You and Your gifts. Amen."

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD:

U: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My
→ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PAX DOMINI:

L: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

For those communing, who so desire, the center cups in each tray are <u>alcohol free</u>. The wafers on the stand next to the pillar pulpit side (when kneeling for communion) or on the stand in front of the baptismal font (when processing for communion) are **gluten free**.

In our 9:30 a.m. service we will practice the Easter tradition of continuous communion. We will not kneel at the altar, rather we will join the procession of saints and come forward and remain standing as we receive the bread and wine. After receiving the elements, you are invited to return to your seat and continue in meditation, prayer and song.

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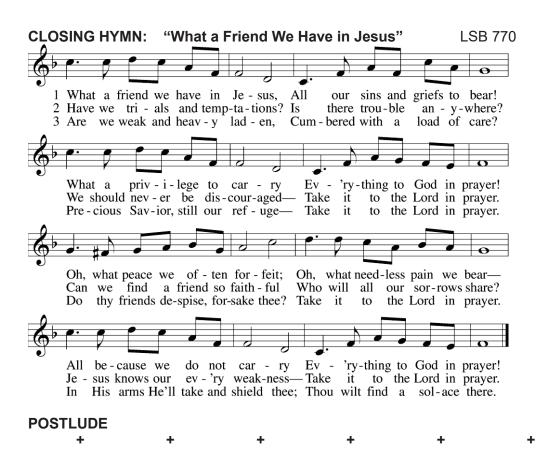
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BENEDICTION:

L: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

C: Amen.



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Crucifer 9:30...Henry Cerulle 9:30...Shannon Morgensen Preacher...Pastor Kyle Blake Accompanist...Kevin Bowers

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