The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost
The Ingathering of Pledges
Sunday, October 24, 2021

The Liturgy of the Word

Choral Introit

All stand as are able

Processional Hymn: Simple Gifts

'Tis the gift to be simple 'tis the gift to be free
'Tis the gift to come down where you ought to be
And when we find ourselves in the place just right
'Twill be in the valley of love and delight

When true simplicity is gained, to bow and to bend we will not be ashamed
To turn, turn will be our delight, 'til by turning, turning we come 'round right.

'Tis the gift to be loved and that love to return
'Tis the gift to be taught and a richer gift to learn
And when we expect of others what we try to live each day
Then we'll all love to gather and we'll all learn to say:

When true simplicity is gained, to bow and to bend we will not be ashamed
To turn, turn will be our delight, 'til by turning, turning we come 'round right.

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Gloria **Glory to you**

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; you are worthy of praise; glory to you.
Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name;
we will praise you and highly exalt you forever.
Glory to you, beholding the depth; in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.
Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;
we will praise you and highly exalt you forever.

The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Presider Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Please be seated for the lessons

First Lesson **read by Peter Saghir**

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah.

Thus says the Lord:

> Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;
> proclaim, give praise, and say,
> "Save, O Lord, your people, the remnant of Israel."
> See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north,
> and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,
> among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor, together;
> a great company, they shall return here.
> With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back,
> I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble;
> for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

After the reading

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 126 **read in unison**

When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, *
then were we like those who dream.
Then was our mouth filled with laughter, *
and our tongue with shouts of joy.
Then they said among the nations, *
"The Lord has done great things for them."
The Lord has done great things for us, *
and we are glad indeed.
Restore our fortunes, O Lord, *
like the watercourses of the Negev.
Those who sowed with tears *
will reap with songs of joy.
Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, *
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

Second Lesson **read by Janet Kaplan**

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but Jesus holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

After the reading

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand for the Gospel procession and reading

Sequence Hymn: Halle Halle Halle

The Holy Gospel

Before the Gospel

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Mark.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus and his disciples came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon **The Rev. Sarah Kooperkamp**

Please stand and say together

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 led by Julia Gannon

Loving God, You are our Creator and Sustainer.
When You open Your hand, You satisfy the hunger and thirst of every living thing.
And so we look to You whenever we are in need,
trusting in Your love and Your abundant goodness.

As You once fed the hungry crowds with five loaves and two small fish,
we ask that You would again fill those who are empty this day.
Pour out Your Spirit on all who hunger and thirst.

We pray for those who are physically hungry—whose stomachs are empty.
We think especially of the people in our country and across the world
who are facing critical food shortages;
who are suffering the effects of malnutrition and starvation;
and watching helplessly as loved ones die.

We pray for those who are empty emotionally—
who are lonely and long for companionship and love,
who are caught in the grip of depression, or overwhelmed with grief.

We pray for those who are spiritually empty—
who are troubled, but don't know where to turn;
who long for purpose and meaning, but don't know where to look;
who need You, but do not yet know You.

God, we praise You for Your abundant gifts in our lives.
Pour out Your Spirit on us as well.
Fill us with Your compassion and love,
so that we would willingly share some of our abundance
with those who have need.
We pray in the name of Jesus Christ,
who came so that all of humanity might come to know
the abundant life that comes from You.

Dear people of God for whom and for what do you pray?

You are invited to speak your intercessions aloud or to type them in the chat.

The Confession of Sin & Absolution

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor:

All **Almighty God, Source of all that is, Giver of every good gift:**
You create all people in your image and call us to love one another as you love us.
We confess that we have failed to honor you in the great diversity of the human family. We have desired to live in freedom,
while building walls between ourselves and others.
We have longed to be known and accepted for who we are,
while making judgements of others based on the color of skin, or the shape of features, or the varieties of human experience.
We have tried to love our neighbors individually
while yet benefitting from systems that hold those same neighbors in oppression.
Forgive us, Holy God.
Give us eyes to see you as you are revealed in all people.
Strengthen us for the work of reconciliation rooted in love.
Restore us in your image, to be beloved community,
united in our diversity,
even as you are one with Christ and the Spirit,
Holy and undivided Trinity, now and for ever.
Amen.

The Peace

Presider The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you!**

The Holy Communion

This is God's Table: all are welcome

Offertory Anthem **Is Your All On the Altar?**

You are welcome to come up and place your 2022 pledge in the offering plate.

Please stand

Doxology *Old Hundredth*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A

Preside The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Presider Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Presider 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… 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:

Presider and People sing together

The Sanctus LEVAS II 255 (*Mass for a Soulful People)* Grayson Warren Brown

Holy, holy, holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are filled with your glory, Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, of the Lord.
Hosanna, in the highest, hosanna in the highest

The Presider continues,

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:

Presider and People

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

The Presider continues,

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.**

The Lord's Prayer LEVAS II 264 A.H. Malotte

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed by 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Please remain standing and sing together

Fraction Anthem S. Shull

We who are many, are one body,
For we all share in the one bread,
we all share in the one bread.

Please remain standing

Invitation to Communion

These are the gifts for God for all of us, the people of God. Let us take them in remembrance that Christ died for us and feed on him in our hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Anthem Let Us Break Bread Together

1. **Let us break bread together on our knees,**
2. **Let us drink wine together on our knees….**
3. **Let us praise God together on our knees….**

When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun,
O Lord have mercy on me

All stand, and say together

Post Communion 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.

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn: Siyahamba

Si-ya-hamb' e-ku-kha-nyen' kwen-khos'
Si-ya-hamb' e-ku-kha-nyen' kwen-khos' (repeat)

Si-ya-ham-ba (ham-ba, si-ya-ham-ba) Oo,
Si-ya-hamb' e-ku-kha-nyen' kwen-khos' (repeat)

We are marching in the light of God
We are marching in the light of God (repeat)

We are marching, (marching, we are marching) Oo,
We are marching in the light of God (repeat)

Parting Prayer *sung to the tune of Edelweiss*

May the Lord, Mighty Lord, bless you and keep you forever,
bind your heart to his heart with a bond that nothing can sever.
Give you light on the uphill road and courage in every endeavor.
May the Lord, Mighty Lord, bless you and keep you forever.

The Dismissal

Priest Let us go forth rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, Alleluia!
People **Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Weekly Announcements

In Gathering & Ice Cream Social - TODAY!

Today we celebrate our ingathering of pledges, a time when we make our financial pledge to Holy Apostles for the coming year. We ask that you take this week to pray, reflect, consider and commit to our common ministry. Pledges can be returned in person or virtually. A link to the virtual pledge card was emailed to you this week.

Youth Ministry

Today we begin our Youth Ministry under the leadership of Ann Noling and Julia Gannon who wrote, directed and produced last year's pageant. All youth grades 1 - 6 are welcome to join, older youth are also welcome. Youth will attend the service and leave after communion. There will be an ice cream social for them and everyone else!

All Souls Requiem

If you would like your loved one to be included in this year's necrology for the All Souls Requiem, please email a photo of your loved one along with their name, date of birth and date of passing. Photos and information are due by Thursday, October 28th. revkimberlee@holyapostlesbrooklyn.com The service on November 2nd will be on Zoom.