



SAINT JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

A House of Prayer for all People and the Episcopal Church in Colorado

THANKSGIVING DAY

The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

November 25, 2021 | 10:00 am

Welcome to Saint John's Cathedral! We are glad you are here. Before the service begins, please take a moment to silence your electronic devices.

THE WORD OF GOD

VOLUNTARY Improvisation on *Kremser*

All stand for the procession.

HYMN 290 Come, ye thankful people, come

St. George's, Windsor

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit:

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE 433 We gather together

Kremser

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty and gracious Father, we give you thanks for the fruits of the earth in their season and for the labors of those who harvest them. Make us, we pray, faithful stewards of your grate bounty, for the provision of our necessities and the relief of all who are in need, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, on God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

All sit.

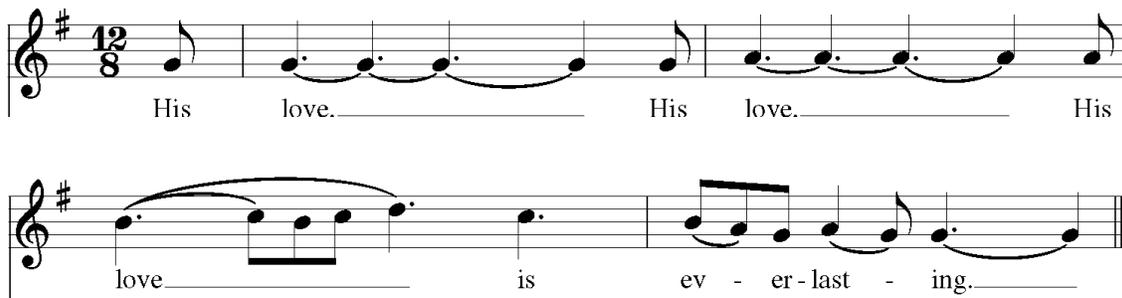
Do not fear, O soil; be glad and rejoice, for the Lord has done great things! Do not fear, you animals of the field, for the pastures of the wilderness are green; the tree bears its fruit, the fig tree and vine give their full yield. O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the Lord your God; for he has given the early rain for your vindication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before. The threshing floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil. I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you. You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame. You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other. And my people shall never again be put to shame.

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

PSALM 126

LEVAS II 273

The choir sings the refrain, followed by the congregation; then all repeat as indicated in the Psalm text.



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

THE SECOND LESSON

I Timothy 2:1-7

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all - this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand for the proclamation of the Gospel.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The Choir sings the Alleluia, followed by the Congregation. All repeat after the verse.



Verse How good it is to sing praises to our God; how pleasant it is to honor him with praise.

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 6:25-33

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

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

Jesus said, "I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you-- you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?'

For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

All sit.

THE SERMON

All stand.

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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.

A LITANY OF THANKSGIVING

After each petition is said

Intercessor Gracious God,
People **we thank you.**

With all your creatures great and small we sing of your goodness, God of the living. In the harvest of land and ocean, the cycles of the seasons, and the wonders of each creature, you reveal your generosity. Teach us the gratitude that dispels envy, that we may honor each gift as you cherish your creation, and praise you in all times and places. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION *and* ABSOLUTION

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

A moment of silence is kept.

Presider and People

Most merciful God, we confess that 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 are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Presider

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

All sit.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *The Old Hundredth Psalm Tune*

Ralph Vaughan Williams

All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice; him serve without fear, his praise for aye, come ye before him, and rejoice. The Lord, ye know, is God indeed, without our aid he did us make; we are his folk, he doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take. O enter then his gates with praise, approach with joy his courts unto; praise, laud, and bless his name always, for it is seemly so to do. For why? the Lord our God is good; his mercy is forever sure; his truth at all times firmly stood, and shall from age to age endure. To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, the God whom heaven and earth adore, from men and from the angel-host, be praise and glory evermore. Amen.

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All stand.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *Eucharistic Prayer A*

Presider 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 our 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. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

William Mathias

Ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

Presider

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:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

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 Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

Silence.

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Presider and People

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

The Presider breaks the consecrated bread.

AGNUS DEI

William Mathias

Je - sus, Lamb of God: Have mer - cy

on us. Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: Have mer - cy

on us. Je - sus, re - deem - er of the world: Give us your peace.

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Following the invitation to Communion, the Ministers and People receive the Sacrament.

ANTHEM *Holy art Thou* (Largo from "Xerxes")

George Frederick Handel

Holy art Thou, Lord God Almighty, who wert and art to come. Holy art Thou, Lord God Almighty, glory and majesty in heaven are thine. Earth lowly bending, swells the full harmony, blessing and glory to the Lamb for evermore, for worthy art Thou; let all nations and kindreds and peoples give thanks to Thee for evermore.

HYMN 288 Praise to God, Immortal praise

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THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Presider

The blessing of the one, holy, and undivided Trinity be upon you and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

HYMN 397 Now thank we all our God

Nun danket alle Gott

THE DISMISSAL

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

VOLUNTARY *Nun danket alle Gott*

Johann Sebastian Bach
arranged by Virgil Fox

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