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OF THE DIOCESE OF NEW JERSEY



**"GIVE...
TO GOD** **THE THINGS
THAT ARE
GOD'S."**

MATTHEW 22:21, NRSV

OCTOBER 18, 2020 – PENTECOST 20, PROPER 24 – YEAR A

**10:00 AM - THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO
CELEBRANT – THE VERY REV. RENÉ JOHN
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WELCOME! We're honored that you're worshipping with us today. Please be sure you have checked in with an Usher for contact tracing purposes. Masks must be worn at all times while in the Cathedral buildings. Please use the hand sanitizer that is provided throughout the building before and after touching any surfaces, and remain 6 feet apart from people not in your immediate household.

If you're not familiar with our Episcopal worship service, we hope this will help. For sanitary purposes, all of our prayers are printed in this bulletin. While we hope you enjoy our uplifting hymns and music, we must ask that the congregation refrain from singing along out loud, in order to decrease the risk of transmitting Covid-19.

Thank you for helping us to remain as safe as possible while enjoying in-person worship. "This is how we love one another!"

Please stand as indicated and be seated for lessons

Prelude

Dr. Kerry Heimann, Organist

All stand, as able - played by Organist only

Processional Hymn Hymnal # 544

1
Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
doth his successive journeys run;
his kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
till moons shall wax and wane no more.

2
To him shall endless prayer be made,
and praises throng to crown his head;
his Name like sweet perfume shall rise
with every morning sacrifice.

3
People and realms of every tongue
dwell on his love with sweetest song;

Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

and infant voices shall proclaim
their early blessings on his Name.

4
Blessings abound where'er he reigns:
the prisoners leap to lose their chains,
the weary find eternal rest,
and all who suffer want are blest.

5
Let every creature rise and bring
peculiar honors to our King;
angels descend with songs again,
and earth repeat the loud amen.

Remain standing

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

Celebrant: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

All say together
Gloria in Excelsis

**Glory to god in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand
of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father, Amen.**

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The People are seated

First Reading

Lector: Cheryl Nagy

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah (45:1-7)

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped to subdue nations before him and strip kings of their robes, to open doors before him—and the gates shall not be closed: “I will go before you and level the mountains, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron, I will give you the treasures of darkness and riches hidden in secret places, so that you may know that it is I, the Lord, the God of Israel, who call you by your name. For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I

surname you, though you do not know me. I am the Lord, and there is no other; besides me there is no god. I arm you, though you do not know me, so that they may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is no one besides me; I am the Lord, and there is no other. I form light and create darkness, I make weal and create woe; I the Lord do all these things.”

The Word of the Lord.

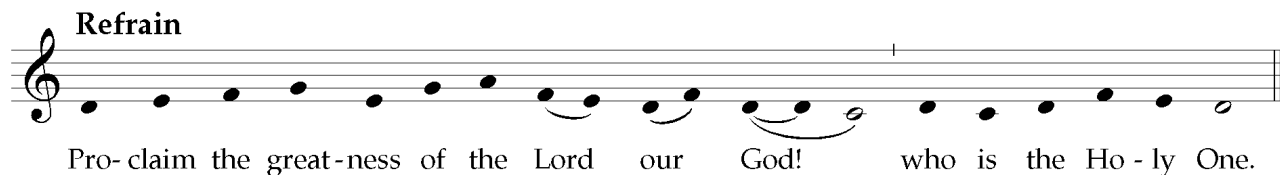
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Remain seated

Sung by the Cantor

Psalm 99

Cantor: Canon Paul Cooper



from Gradual Psalms for the RCL, ed. Bruce E. Ford, Church Publishing Incorporated

The Lord is King;

let the people tremble; *

he is enthroned upon the cherubim;

let the earth shake.

The Lord is great in Zion; *

he is high above all peoples.

Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; *

he is the Holy One.

Refrain

“O mighty King, lover of justice,

you have established equity; *

you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.”

Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God

and fall down before his footstool; *

he is the Holy One.

Refrain

Moses and Aaron among his priests,

and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, *

they called upon the Lord, and he answered them.

He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; *

they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.

Refrain

“O Lord our God, you answered them indeed; *
you were a God who forgave them,
yet punished them for their evil deeds.”

Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God
and worship him upon his holy hill; *
for the Lord our God is the Holy One.

Refrain

Remain seated

Second Reading

Lector: Brann Wry

A Reading from Paul’s First letter to the Church in Thessalonika (1 Thess. 1:1-10)

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

All stand as able – played by Organist only

Sequence Hymn

LEVAS # 72

1
I am weak but thou art strong;
Jesus, keep me from all wrong;
I’ll be satisfied as long
As I walk, let me walk close to thee.

Just A Closer Walk with Thee

Refrain
Just a closer walk with thee,
Grant it, Jesus, is my plea,
Daily walking close to thee,
Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

2

Through this world of toil and snares,
If I falter, Lord, who cares?
Who with me my burden shares?
None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee.

Refrain

3

When my feeble life is o'er,
Time for me will be no more;
Guide me gently, safely o'er
To Thy kingdom shore, to thy shore.

Refrain

All stand

The Gospel: Matthew 22:15-22

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

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

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The People are seated

Sermon

The Rev. Chris Cox

Deacon

All stand and say together

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.

Remain standing

Prayers of the People

Lector: Althea Muse

Lector: Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People: **That we all may be one.**

Lector: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People: **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

Lector: We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People: **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

Lector: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People: **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Lector: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People: **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Lector: Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People: **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Lector: Give to the departed eternal rest;

People: **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Lector: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People: **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Lector: Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

(The people may add their own petitions).

Celebrant: Almighty God, to whom we must account for all our powers and privileges: Guide the people of the United States in the election of officials and representatives; that, by faithful administration and wise laws, the rights of all may be protected and our nation be enabled to fulfill your purposes; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Celebrant: Lord, hear the prayers of your people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord **Amen.**

A Litany During the Coronavirus Pandemic

Celebrant: Jesus Christ, you traveled through towns and villages “curing every disease and illness.” At your command, the sick were made well. Come to our aid now, in the midst of the global spread of the coronavirus, that we may experience your healing love. Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: Heal those who are sick with the virus. May they regain their strength and health through quality medical care. Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: Heal us from our fear, which prevents nations from working together and neighbors from helping one another. Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: Heal us from our pride, which can make us claim invulnerability to a disease that knows no borders. Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: Jesus Christ, healer of all, stay by our side in this time of uncertainty and sorrow. Lord, in your mercy,

***People:* Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: Be with those who have died from the virus. May they be at rest with you in your eternal peace. Lord, in your mercy,

***People:* Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: Be with the families of those who are sick or have died. As they worry and grieve, defend them from illness and despair. May they know your peace. Lord, in your mercy,

***People:* Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: Be with the doctors, nurses, researchers and all medical professionals who seek to heal and help those affected and who put themselves at risk in the process. May they know your protection and peace. Lord, in your mercy,

***People:* Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: Be with the leaders of all nations. Give them the foresight to act with charity and true concern for the well-being of the people they are meant to serve. Give them the wisdom to invest in long-term solutions that will help prepare for or prevent future outbreaks. May they know your peace, as they work together to achieve it on earth. Lord, in your mercy,

***People:* Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: Whether we are home or abroad, surrounded by many people suffering from this illness or only a few, Jesus Christ, stay with us as we endure and mourn, persist and prepare. In place of our anxiety, give us your peace. Jesus Christ, heal us. Lord, in your mercy,

***People:* Hear our prayer.**

“The Coronavirus Prayer” was written by Kerry Weber, an executive editor for America Magazine.

The Confession and Absolution

Deacon: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

All say together:

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.**

Celebrant: 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.**

Please remain in your pew for the Peace

The Peace

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

People: **And also with you.**

Music at Offertory

Dr. Kerry Heimann, Organist

Holy Communion

Remain standing

The Great Thanksgiving:

Eucharistic Prayer A

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant proceeds . . .

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

All say together:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Then the Celebrant 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:

Celebrant and People:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant: 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.**

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray . . .

Celebrant 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.

Fraction

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then may be said . . .

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

All say together

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Celebrant: 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.

A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion:

Celebrant: My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since some cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into their hearts. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. **Amen.**
(*St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787*)

Please proceed to the Altar for Communion, remaining 6 feet apart

Music at Communion

Dr. Kerry Heimann, Organist

The Post-Communion Prayer

Celebrant and People: 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.

Announcements

All stand – played by Organist only

Recessional Hymn Hymnal # 596

1
Judge eternal, throned in splendor,
Lord of lords and King of kings,
with thy living fire of judgment
purge this land of bitter things;
solace all its wide dominion
with the healing of thy wings.

2
Still the weary folk are pining
for the hour that brings release,
and the city's crowded clangor

Judge Eternal, Throned in Splendor

cries aloud for sin to cease;
and the homesteads and the woodlands
plead in silence for their peace.

3
Crown, O God, thine own endeavor;
cleave our darkness with thy sword;
feed all those who do not know thee
with the richness of thy word;
cleanse the body of this nation
through the glory of the Lord.

Blessing

Celebrant: The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Dismissal

Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Dr. Kerry Heimann, Organist

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

We remember God's holy catholic church, including Michael, our Presiding Bishop and Primate; William, our Bishop; René, Dean of this Cathedral; Peter, Noel, and Bruce, priest associates; Carol and Chris, our Deacons, along with all other ministers in this congregation, lay and ordained; Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury, and all Anglican Christians around the world; and for our brothers and sisters in this diocese, including David, Joe Morris, and Sylvestre, retired Bishops; St. Luke's Church in Ewing, Gladstone, Metuchen, and Woodstown, St. Luke and All Saints' Church in Union, and The Revs. Donald L. Turner and Kenneth B. Yerkes.

We commend to your prayers this day all persons deployed in the service of our country. May they dwell safely under the protection of Almighty God.

We remember before you those who are sick, or in any other special need, especially the residents of Hamilton Grove Care and Rehabilitation Center; along with **those who have lost their jobs, CeCe, Bishop Charles May, Sal, the Marino family, Effie, the Zacharoudis family, Ruth, the O'Connor family, the Bader and Ginsburg families, the Shadowen, Moore and Taylor families, Cecelia, Frank, the Smart family, Donald and Melania, Hope, those attending rallies and protests, all in the White House, the Dia family, the Dorrill family, Dan, the Plummer family, Denise, Julia, the Van Halen family, Elsie, Barry, Linda, Donna, Husayne, Isa, Joseph, John and all those affected by Covid-19.**

We remember those who have died, especially **Ola Williams**, and the victims of the ongoing wars around the world.

We remember those with whom we give thanks, especially those who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries this week: **Lasaan White, Michelle C. Snow, Heather M. Snow, Ricardo Kirmales-Prouty, Jordan Scipio, Edlyn Miller, Daniel Kirmales-Prouty, Kristopher W. Williams, and Richard & Georgia Koenig.**

Our Vision:

A visible agent of God's love in Christ, joyfully embracing all people.

Our Mission:

God is here; Jesus loves you.

**We are a welcoming, diverse community sharing God's love,
Spreading the Gospel, and caring for all people and God's creation.
Come join us.**

The Rt. Rev. William "Chip" H. Stokes, Bishop
The Very Rev. René Rory John, Dean
The Rev. Canon Dr. Noel Amadi, Priest Associate
The Rev. Dr. Peter Bridge, Priest Associate
The Rev. Bruce Montgomery, Priest Associate
The Rev. Chris Cox, Deacon
The Rev. Carol Gilbert, Deacon
Dr. Kerry Heimann, Director of Music & Cathedral Organist
Fay Manicke, Associate Director of Music