Sunday, August 16, 2020 ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Proper 15, Year A Christ Church Cathedral Nashville, Tennessee



VOLUNTARY

Jesu, joy of man's desiring

Johann Sebastian Bach [2'55"] (1685-1750)

Pre-Liturgy of the Word announcements

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

The procession from the side door to the sanctuary pausing to reverence the altar individually

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant† Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.PeopleAnd blessed be his kingdom now and for ever. Amen.

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**.

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

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLet us pray.

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON - Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

[Jennifer Murray]

Thus says the LORD:

Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed. And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD, and to be his servants, all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it, and hold fast my covenant these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. Thus says the LORD God, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, I will gather others to them besides those already gathered.

LectorThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

PSALM 67

- 1 May God be merciful to us and bless us, * show us the light of his countenance and come to us.
- 2 Let your ways be known upon earth, * your saving health among all nations.
- 3 Let the peoples praise you, O God; * let all the peoples praise you.

[Carol King and Daughter]

- 4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, * for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations upon earth.
- 5 Let the peoples praise you, O God; * let all the peoples praise you.
- 6 The earth has brought forth her increase; * may God, our own God, give us his blessing.
- 7 May God give us his blessing, * and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

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

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON - Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

LectorThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL LESSON - Matthew 15:10-28

[The Venerable Roger Saterstrom]

GospellerThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to MatthewPeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus called the crowd to him and said to them, "Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles." Then the disciples approached and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?" He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit." But Peter said to him, "Explain this parable to us." Then he said, "Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile."

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

GospellerThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

[Sarah Cook]

SERMON – The Reverend Dr. Kelly Miller Smith, Jr. *A moment of silence and reflection follows the sermon.*

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, FORM V

Deacon or other leader In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy"

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; for Michael, the Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church; for John, Bishop of Tennessee; for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for the Scottish Episcopal Church, the Most Reverend Mark Strange, Primus of the Scottish Episcopal Church and Bishop of Moray, Ross, and Caithness. For the mission of the Church, and that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect, and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

We commend to your gracious care and keeping the men and women of the armed forces especially Shona, Heath, Chris, Toby, Louis, Doug, Andi, James, Bradley, Griff, David, and Rachael, we pray for at home and abroad, and all those who suffer because of civil strife, that war may end and peace be established, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those in positions of public trust, especially Donald, President of the United States; Bill, Governor of Tennessee; and John, Mayor of Nashville, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who live and work in this community, we pray to you, O Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For 100 years of women's suffrage, for those who labored to secure a woman's right to vote, and those who preserve and protect the rights of all people. May the bells ring out for freedom everywhere, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For giving thanks for the birth of Margaret Rose Wheat, daughter of Lauren Painter and Andrew Wheat, we pray to you, O Lord. Lord, have mercy. For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer, especially Susan, Geoffrey, Patti, Tom, Rachel, Al, Laura, John, Kadijah, Tallu, BJ, Jackie, David, Ed, Ben, Liz, Jim, Shelley, Jerry, Lee, Corinio, David, all teachers, students, and Administrators, for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this congregation, for those who are present, and for those who are absent, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the missions of this congregation in Bolivia, Iraq, and Haiti, especially St. George's Church, Baghdad, Iraq, we pray to you, O Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died, especially Carol Arnold St. Germain; Martin King, father-in-law of Mary McCarthy King; and Kyle Sterling Knight, son of Joanna Knight in the communion of your Church, remembering those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

To you, O Lord our God. *Silence.*

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

Then the Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *Silence may be kept.*

Celebrant 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.

Celebrant stands and says

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

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY



Scan this QR code with your phone or tablet. Scroll down and click on the yellow "Donate" button to leave your tithe and offering this morning.

SOLO AT THE OFFERTORY

And can it be that I should gain?

Thomas Campbell [3'02"] (1800-1876)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

| Celebrant | The Lord be with you. |
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| 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 him thanks and praise. |

Then, facing the Holy Table, 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.

The Celebrant then says the Proper Preface

Celebrant and People 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.

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.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it, and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

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.

The Celebrant 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**.

And now, as our Savior Christ has 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.

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept

Then may be said

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following invitation

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.

The Sacrament is distributed.

HYMN AT THE DISTRIBUTION

There's a wideness in God's mercy

Beecher [2'53"]

You are invited to sing along at home.



Words: Frederick William Faber (1814-1863), alt. Music: Beecher, John Zundel (1815-1882), alt.

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People 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

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. **Thanks be to God**.

VOLUNTARY

La Réjouissance

George Frideric Handel [1'20"] (1685-1759)

THE CATHEDRAL WELCOMES GUEST PREACHER

The Reverend Dr. Kelly Miller Smith, Jr., Pastor First Baptist Church, Capitol Hill, Nashville



The Reverend Dr. Kelly Miller Smith, Jr. is the pastor of First Baptist Church, Capitol Hill, Nashville. He is the son of the late Reverend Dr. Kelly Miller Smith, Sr. who was a Baptist minister, author, and prominent activist in the civil rights movement. Dr. Smith received a B.A. degree in Music from Morehouse College in 1976. Later he attended Morehouse School of Religion at the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, graduating with a Master of Divinity degree in 1983. He received a Doctor of Ministry degree in 1993 from United Theological Seminary in Dayton, Ohio, where he was a Proctor-Moss Fellow. Dr. Smith is the former Executive Director of the Sunday School Publishing Board of the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc., having served in that capacity from 1997 through 2013. CELEBRANT The Reverend Lissa Smith, Associate for Pastoral Care and Cathedral Life

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