Sunday, October 11, 2020 NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Proper 23, Year A Christ Church Cathedral Nashville, Tennessee



VOLUNTARY Pastorale Percy Whitlock (1903-1946)

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.

People And blessed be his kingdom now and for ever. Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON - Isaiah 25:1-9

O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you, I will praise your name; for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure. For you have made the city a heap, the fortified city a ruin; the palace of aliens is a city no more, it will never be rebuilt. Therefore strong peoples will glorify you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you. For you have been a refuge to the poor, a refuge to the needy in their distress, a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat. When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm, the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place, you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds; the song of the ruthless was stilled.

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken.

It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

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

THE GOSPEL LESSON -Matthew 22:1-14

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

And again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. Again he sent other servants, saying, 'Tell those who are invited, "See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast." But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.' And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests.

"But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. And he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

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

SERMON – The Very Reverend Timothy E. Kimbrough 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 IV

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. We pray For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church; and John, the Bishop of Tennessee and for all the clergy and people. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy. Hear our prayer.

Bless the missions of this congregation in Bolivia, Iraq, and Haiti, especially the residents of Kantuta House at Amistad Mission, Bolivia. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for the Church of the Province of Uganda. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we remember St. Bede's, Manchester. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy. Hear our prayer..

Guide the people of this land; and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer**.

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Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer**..

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy. Hear our prayer.

We give thanks for the marriage of Jessica Brook Heavener and Jamison Tate Ball on October 3. Silence

Lord, in your mercy. Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We pray especially for Susan, Geoffrey, Patti, Tom, Rachel, Laura, John, Kadijah, Tallu, Madeline, Sage, Paul, Dickie, Nancie, Andy, Alison & her mother, Joseph, Bill, Mimi, Debbie, Mary, Ken, Art, Flora, Hugh, Rosemary, Ruthie, Mary, Marion, Debbie, Peter, Sophia, Ardon, Ellen, Joe, Gilbert, and the Brannon family. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer**.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, † especially Reed Hansen, uncle of Sophia Severino; the Reverend Erma Jean Davis, aunt of Will Fulcher; Helen Keese, wife of the Reverend Peter Keese, sister-in-law of Janet Davies; Eddie Ratliff, brother-in-law of Tracy Ratliff; Rebecca Hutcheson, sister of Ardon, beloved of Ellen Wright; Tom Hopton, brother of Ann Hopton; Bonnie Jean Duke, aunt of Gina Williams, great-aunt of Zach Williams; Robert Howard. Edwards, father of Hank Edwards, grandfather of Kathleen, Molly, and Rob Edwards; and Travis Brannon, husband of Susie, father of Colin Brannon that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer**.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

Then the Deacon says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Deacon 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,

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

PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR

to the glory of your Name. Amen.

THE HOLY COMMUNION



Touch or scan the QR code above to leave your tithe and offering this morning. You may also text "CCCNash" to 73256 to give using your mobile phone.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift 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 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.

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

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 before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary and all your

saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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

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.

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.

DISMISSAL

-Vivace

The flowers in the Chancel are given to the Glory of God and in memory of their mothers: Connally Crawford Bauerschmidt and Anne Morris Pearce, by John and Caroline Bauerschmidt.

CELEBRANT AND PREACHER The Very Reverend Timothy E. Kimbrough, *Dean and Rector*

DEACON

The Reverend Matthew W. Lewis, Associate for Evangelism and Christian Formation

MUSICIANS

Canon Dr. Michael Velting, Organist and Choirmaster

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