

Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

November 19, 2023

The Word of God

Opening Hymn

No. 290

Come, ye thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest-home:
all is safely gathered in, ere the winter storms begin;
God, our Maker, doth provide for our wants to be supplied;
come to God's own temple, come, raise the song of harvest-home.

All the world is God's own field, fruit unto his praise to yield;
wheat and tares together sown, unto joy or sorrow grown:
first the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall appear;
grant, O harvest Lord, that we wholesome grain and pure may be.

For the Lord our God shall come, and shall take his harvest home;
from his field shall in that day all offenses purge away;
give his angels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,
but the fruitful ears to store in the garner evermore.

Even so, Lord, quickly come, to thy final harvest-home;
gather thou thy people in, free from sorrow, free from sin;
there, for ever purified, in thy presence to abide;
come, with all thine angels come, raise the glorious harvest-home.

Words: Henry Alford

Music: *St. George's, Windsor*, George Job Elvey, desc Craig Sellar Lang

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All standing, the Celebrant says

People Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
 And blessed be his kingdom now and forever. Amen.

The Celebrant says

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

The following is said, all standing

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.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so
to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever
hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus
Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

The Old Testament Lesson

Judges 4:1-7

A Reading from the Book of Judges.

The Israelites again did what was evil in the sight of the Lord, after Ehud died. So the
Lord sold them into the hand of King Jabin of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor; the
commander of his army was Sisera, who lived in Harosheth-ha-goiim. Then the Israelites
cried out to the Lord for help; for he had nine hundred chariots of iron, and had
oppressed the Israelites cruelly twenty years. At that time Deborah, a prophetess, wife of
Lappidoth, was judging Israel. She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between
Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim; and the Israelites came up to her for
judgment. She sent and summoned Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali,
and said to him, "The Lord, the God of Israel, commands you, 'Go, take position at
Mount Tabor, bringing ten thousand from the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of

Zebulun. I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin's army, to meet you by the Wadi Kishon with his chariots and his troops; and I will give him into your hand.”

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

Psalm 123

- 1 To you I lift up my eyes, *
to you enthroned in the heavens.
- 2 As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, *
and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,
- 3 So our eyes look to the Lord our God, *
until he show us his mercy.
- 4 Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy, *
for we have had more than enough of contempt,
- 5 Too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, *
and of the derision of the proud.

The Epistle

I Thessalonians 5:1-11

A Reading from the First Letter to the Thessalonians

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, “There is peace and security,” then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

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

Gradual Hymn

Hymnal 288

Praise to God, immortal praise, for the love that crowns our days;
bounteous source of every joy, let thy praise our tongues employ:
all to thee, our God, we owe, source whence all our blessings flow.

All the plenty summer pours; autumn's rich o'erflowing stores;
flocks that whiten all the plain; yellow sheaves of ripened grain:
Lord, for these our souls shall raise grateful vows and solemn praise.

As thy prospering hand hath blessed, may we give thee of our best;
and by deeds of kindly love for thy mercies grateful prove;
singing thus through all our days praise to God, immortal praise.

Words: Anna Laetitia Barbauld Words: Dix, William Henry Monk

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 25:14-30

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew
People Glory to you, Lord Christ

Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven will be as when a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own

with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.”

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

The Sermon

Fr. Martin Gutwein

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

All remain standing.

Brothers and sisters, in love let us encourage one another and build each other up. Let us pray saying, "Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy."

Lord God, you have destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ; strengthen your Church to confidently share your gospel throughout the world.

Have mercy upon us, O Lord,

People: Have mercy.

Lord God, have mercy on all who are shown contempt and scorn: Hear the cries of the needy and lift up the downtrodden and lowly.

Have mercy upon us, O Lord,

People: Have mercy.

Lord God, you rule the day and the night. Bless and sustain the works of your hands. Restore your creation.

Have mercy upon us, O Lord,

People: Have mercy.

Lord God, you are enthroned in the heavens: may we trust not our own schemes but lift up our eyes to you. Lead and guide our city and its leaders in all justice and truth.

Have mercy upon us, O Lord,

People: Have mercy.

Lord God, you are a merciful God: hear the prayers of those who cry out to you for help. Be present with the suffering in their waking and their sleeping.

Have mercy upon us, O Lord,

People: Have mercy.

Lord God, your Son Jesus died for us that we might dwell in your light forever: give to the dying and the dead the hope of salvation.

Have mercy upon us, O Lord,

People: Have mercy.

Confession of Sin

All kneel.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

A period of silence is observed. Celebrant and People together say

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.

The Priest 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.

All stand.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

Announcements

The Celebrant says

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.
Ephesians 5:2

Offertory Hymn

No. 433

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing;
He chastens and hastens his will to make known;
The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing.
Sing praises to his name; he forgets not his own.

Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining,
Ordaining, maintaining his kingdom divine;
So from the beginning the fight we were winning;
Thou, Lord, wast at our side; all glory be thine!

We all do extol thee, thou leader triumphant,
And pray that thou still our defender wilt be.
Let thy congregation escape tribulation;
Thy name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free

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Eucharistic Prayer B

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

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 him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, 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 for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

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.

The people kneel.

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.

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 [_____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

The Celebrant then continues

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 Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

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

Agnus Dei

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world: give us your peace, give us your peace.

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Spiritual Communion

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

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 I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. 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*)

Communion Hymn

Hymnal 705

As those of old their first fruits brought of vineyard, flock, and field
to God, the giver of all good, the source of bounteous yield,
so we today our first fruits bring, the wealth of this good land:
of farm and market, shop and home, of mind, and heart, and hand.

A world in need now summons us to labor, love, and give;
to make our life an offering to God that all may live;
the Church of Christ is calling us to make the dream come true:
a world redeemed by Christ-like love, all life in Christ made new.

With gratitude and humble trust we bring our best to thee,
to serve thy cause and share thy love with all humanity.
O thou who gavest us thyself in Jesus Christ thy Son,
help us to give ourselves each day until life's work is done.

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Prayer of Thanksgiving

Let us pray.

The Celebrant and People together say

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

The priest blesses the people, saying

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 among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

Closing Hymn

Hymnal 397

Now thank we all our God, with heart, and hands, and voices,
who wondrous things hath done, in whom his world rejoices;
who from our mother's arms hath blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us!
with ever-joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
and keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all ills in this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,
the Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven,
eternal, Triune God, whom earth and heaven adore;
for thus it was, is now, and shall be, evermore.

Words: Martin Rinckart, tr. Catherine Winkworth Music: *Nun danket alle*, melody Johann Cruger,
Harm. William Henry Monk, after F. Mendelssohn

The Dismissal

Celebrant

Let us go forth in the name of Christ

People

Thanks be to God.

Notes and Announcements

November 19, 2023

PRAYER LIST

Anglican Cycle of Prayer for the Diocese of Hyderabad (Pakistan)...

Diocesan Calendar of Prayer for St. Elisabeth's Chapel by-the-Sea in Ortley Beach; St. Elizabeth's Church in Elizabeth; The Rev. Micah Connor Cronin....

Parish Calendar of Prayer for all the blessings that God has bestowed on our nation...

For Our sons and daughters in the military Nathan, Kenny, Zach, Jack, Garrett, Willie, Charley...

For those Celebrating Birthdays this week; Bob Pinto 11/22; Gene Sobota 11/23; Kate Woolford 11/24

For those Celebrating Anniversaries this week:

For the Sick, Suffering & Infirm Veronica, Denise, Dan Sr., Stephen, Matt, Mark, Tanya, Leslie & Chris, Marlene, Benadette, Joseph, Dot, Renee, Julia, Olivia, Evelyn, Bea, Lisa, Craig, David, Amanda, Rita, John, Lyn, Hank, Sue, Nicole, Bob, Dennis, Alex, Lisa, Ben, Colleen, David, Sylvia, Joe, Gus, Briana, Abby, McKensie...

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Cynthia Waldrop & Gene Osborne given by Gene, Karen & Nick Sobota...

PLEASE WELCOME The Rev. Martin Gutwein who is with us again this week.

AND WE WELCOME Sue Verzella back to the organ as she fills in for Cindy Chattin who is not able to be with us this week.

Upcoming Events

- Tuesday, November 21 - Vestry Meeting - 7:30 p.m.

And a little further ahead

- Saturday, December 9 - Manger Mania & Christmas Mart - 11a.m.to 8 p.m. (Tree lighting at 7:00!)
- Sunday, December 10 - Manger Mania Candlelight Dinner 6:00 p.m.

THANKSGIVING SUNDAY AND STEWARDSHIP INGATHERING Today is our Stewardship Ingathering Day. By now you should have received your 2023 Stewardship mailing. We hope you were able to take a few moments to read through the information and prayerfully consider your 2024 commitment to Holy Trinity and its mission. If you have brought your estimate of giving card with you, please place it in the alms basin at the offertory today. If you haven't had a chance to complete it yet, please do so at your earliest opportunity and return it to the church in the envelope provided in the mailing. Thank you.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND YOUTH FELLOWSHIP– Will meet again TODAY from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. Our gatherings will be on the 1st and 3rd Sundays in November and December. Activities include a children's chapel service, followed by age-appropriate activities for children and youth from pre-K through high school If you are interested in helping or have children or grandchildren who might be interested in attending, please contact Theresa Chattin.

COLLINGSWOOD FOOD PANTRY – It is with great sadness that we report that the Collingswood Food Panty will be closing its doors as the new year approaches. We hope to begin working with the Oaklyn Community Pantry in the very near future. The Pantry distributes fresh produce and canned items on the third Monday and Tuesday of the month to over 100 participants who receive two bags of food each month. The Oaklyn Community Pantry is located at the Oaklyn Baptist Church, 29 East Bettewood Ave. Oaklyn, NJ. 856-261-4824

PLEASE SEE ALTAR FLOWER CHART FOR 2023– located at the back of the Church. Please sign-up if interested. The cost is \$45.00. If you would like to share the expense with someone else this request is also available.

DONATIONS ALWAYS BEING ACCEPTED – Please continue donating your unwanted items to Holy Trinity for our 2023 sales events. Throughout the year, we will be collecting gently used seasonal decorations, jewelry, handbags, books, puzzles, household items, etc. (No clothing or shoes) Please mark your donation as “Yard Sale”. Thanks for your generosity! Questions? Call Carol – 856-858-5909.

UPCYCLING GREETING CARD PROGRAM – Please bring in no longer wanted greeting cards. They will be given to St. John of God Community Services in Westville. The Vocational Rehabilitation and Adult Services group will remove the front of each card to create a new greeting. You may leave your cards in the box at the back of the Church. For more information call Craig Burgess at 856-667-2003.

CHAPLAIN ASSISTANT PROGRAM AT VIRTUA – Here’s something to think about over the winter...Virtua Health System is looking for lay people who would like to participate in their Chaplain Aides program at local hospitals. Aides would be trained to visit patients and offer compassion and spiritual comfort. Training sessions aren’t until next May, but if you’re interested in learning more, Chaplain Marge McGinley would be happy to send you an information package. If you think this is a ministry you’d be interested in, give her a call at 609-914-6365.

ONLINE GIVING– To make it easier for folks to make their weekly offering, just follow the link on the Holy Trinity website and send your contribution electronically through Vanco. (You are still welcome to mail your weekly offering if it is easier for you.) Thank you all for your continued faithful giving.