



St. James's Episcopal Church
The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost
October 17, 2021
11:15 a.m.

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

*Before the liturgy, in silence, talk to God. During the liturgy, let God speak to you.
After the liturgy, speak to one another. Please silence all electronic devices.*

Prelude: Cornet Voluntary in Gm

Georg Berg

Hymn 409: *Creation*, “The spacious firmament on high”

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

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

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

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 S280

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.

Collect of the Day

BCP 235

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.*

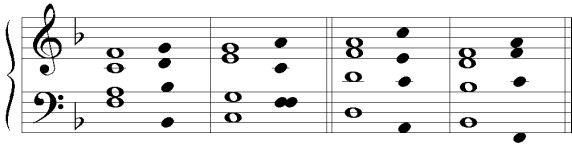
Old Testament: Job 38:1-7, 34-41

Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind: “Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? Gird up your loins like a man, I will question you, and you shall declare to me. “Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements – surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy? Can you lift up your voice to the clouds, so that a flood of waters may cover you? Can you send forth lightnings, so that they may go and say to you, ‘Here we are’? Who has put wisdom in the inward parts, or given understanding to the mind? Who has the wisdom to number the clouds? Or who can tilt the waterskins of the heavens, when the dust runs into a mass and the clods cling together? “Can you hunt the prey for the lion, or satisfy the appetite of the young lions, when they crouch in their dens, or lie in wait in their covert? Who provides for the raven its prey, when its young ones cry to God, and wander about for lack of food?”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Congregation remains seated while singing the Psalm.



Bless the LORD, O my **soul**;

O LORD my God, how excellent is your greatness!
you are clothed with majesty and **splendor**.

You wrap yourself with light as with a **cloak**
and spread out the heavens like a **curtain**.

You lay the beams of your chambers in the waters **above**;
you make the clouds your chariot;
you ride on the wings of the **wind**.

You make the winds your **messengers**
and flames of fire your **servants**.

You have set the earth upon its **foundations**,
so that it never shall move at any **time**.

You covered it with the Deep as with a **mantle**;
the waters stood higher than the **mountains**.

At your rebuke they **fled**;
at the voice of your thunder they hastened **away**.

They went up into the hills and down to the valleys **beneath**,
to the places you had **appointed for them**.

You set the limits that they should not **pass**;
they shall not again cover the **earth**.

O LORD, how manifold are your **works**!
in wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your **creatures**.

† Bless the LORD, O my soul.
Hallelujah!

Epistle: Hebrews 5:1-10

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

“You are my Son, today I have begotten you”;

as he says also in another place,

“You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek.”

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Hymn 439: *Wondrous Love*, “What wondrous love is this”

Gospel: Mark 10:35-45

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” And he said to them, “What is it you want me to do for you?” And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.” But Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?” They replied, “We are able.” Then Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.” When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, “You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon: The Reverend Dr. John McCard

Nicene Creed

BCP 358

The people stand as able and join in saying 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.

Prayers of the People, Form VI

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The Leader and People pray responsively

Leader In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Leader For all people in their daily life and work;

People *For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.*

Leader For this community, the nation, and the world;

People *For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.*

Leader For the just and proper use of your creation;

People *For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.*

Leader For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
People For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

Leader For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
People For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Leader For all bishops and other ministers;
People For all who serve God in his Church.

Leader For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

The People may add their own petitions

Leader Hear us, Lord;
People For your mercy is great.

Leader We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

The People may add their own thanksgivings.

Leader We will exalt you, O God our King;
People And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Leader We pray for all who have died,
that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

The People may add their own petitions

Leader Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
People Who put their trust in you.

Priest

Please join me in lifting up to God those who are sick or in need and who have asked for our prayers:

Priest and People

Bless Arthur and family, Elizabeth Austin, Susan Bain, Jennifer Ball, Steve Barnett, O. Christian Bredrup, Jr., Henry Carwile, the Corey family, LaRose Daniels, Decker/Gephert family, Tom Evelyn, Leigh Hulcher, Roxanne James, David Johnson, George Longest, Matt Mattox, Eve McCray, Bunky Miller, Claire Miller, Harry Moore, Adah Parashar, Peter Pfohl, Courtenay Reynolds, Bradford Smith, Jay Stegmaier, Jessie Sumrell, Evelyn Sutton, Sue Swartwout, Ginger Trice, Amy Woodell, Erin Wright, Cassandra and family, Ben and Eloise, Dylan, Elaine, and Melissa

The Priest continues.

Priest We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Priest and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Priest

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.*

Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Greeting and Announcements

The Holy Communion

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the Body and Blood of our Lord at the altar. Gluten-free wafers are available. All are invited to receive a blessing at the altar, indicated by crossing your arms across your chest.

Offering of Gifts and Praise

To give online, you may use the QR code located in the back of the bulletin.

Anthem: Into thy hands

Jonathan Dove

Into thy hands, O Lord and Father,
we commend our souls and our bodies,
our parents and our homes, friends and kindred.
Into thy hands, O Lord and Father,
we commend our benefactors and brethren departed.
Into thy hands, O Lord and Father,
we commend all thy people faithfully believing,
and all who need thy pity and protection.

Enlighten us with thy holy grace
and suffer us never more to be separated from thee.

Lord Jesus Christ, mercifully grant to me
that the rest of my pilgrimage may be directed
according to thy will,
that the rest of my life may be completed in thee,
and my soul may deserve to enjoy thee who are eternal life forever.

Hymn 380 (v. 3): *Old 100th*, “Praise God, from whom all blessings flow”

Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367

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 him thanks and praise.

Celebrant

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 continues with the Preface of the Lord’s Day.*)

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 S129

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 may kneel or stand, as is their custom.

Celebrant

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;

Celebrant

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 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,

People and Celebrant

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.

Breaking of the Bread and Fraction Anthem S155

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Music at Communion

Anthem: Super flumina Babylonis Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina

By the waters of Babylon we sat down and wept:
When we remembered thee, O Sion.

Chant: Adore te devote Plainsong

(For text, see Hymnal 314)

Special Celebrations and Prayers

People with birthdays or anniversaries during the week and any with special prayer requests may come forward to the altar rail to receive a blessing.

Postcommunion Prayer

BCP 365

Please kneel as able.

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.

Blessing

Hymn 455: *Dunedin*, “O Love of God, how strong and true”

Dismissal

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude: Festal Finale

Henry Coleman

The flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of

Mr. and Mrs. James Ashby Moncure

Mr. and Mrs. James Ashby Moncure, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. George Vowles Moncure

Mr. and Mrs. Jewett Parker Moncure

Dr. Alton R. Sharpe

Service Participants

Preacher: The Reverend Dr. John McCard

Celebrant: The Reverend Dr. Robert Friend

Assisting: Lay Chaplain Blake Singer

IWC Greeter: Dewitt Casler

Musicians: The Parish Choir

Virginia Ewing Whitmire, Organist

Dr. Mark A. Whitmire, Director of Music

Prayers of the People

Please lift up to God those who have asked for our prayers:

For those serving in our Armed Forces: especially David Bhatta, Robby Farmer, Wilson Nance, William Smith, and Mitchell Teefey

For those who work for the safety, education, and flourishing of all children: especially our outreach partners Peter Paul Development Center, SCAN, and St. James's Children Center.

For all celebrating their birthdays this week: especially Virginia Ballowe, Audrey Bauhan, Whitt Clement, Jr., Walker Cummins, Kristen Dize, Gavin Greenwalt, John Mahoney, Jr., Sydnor Newman, and Diane Wright who celebrate their birthdays today.

For those who have died recently: especially Sara Elizabeth Savage Sharp

Music Notes



Into thy hands is by the contemporary British composer Jonathan Dove (b. 1959). The text is by St. Edmund of Abington (1175-1240, who was Archbishop of Canterbury). The piece was commissioned by Salisbury Cathedral in celebration of 750th anniversary of the canonization of St. Edmund. The work was premiered in September 1996 by the Choir of Salisbury Cathedral in the Abbey of Pontigny, France, where St. Edmund is buried.

Super Flumina Babylonis is a setting of Psalm 137 by the 16th-century Italian master Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594). After brief service at the cathedral of his hometown, Palestrina was called to St. Peter's in Rome, where he was soon appointed director of the papal choir. The rest of his life was spent in Rome, composing hundreds of masses and motets that have come to be considered perfect models of sacred music.

Adoro te devote is by St. Thomas Aquinas (1225-1274) and composed for the Feast of Corpus Christi. Plainsong (Gregorian chant) is the oldest music of the church, with some chants traced to the music of the synagogue.

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