



## OPENING HYMN

“Praise, My Soul” The Hymnal 410

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*See the Revelations e-Newsletter for more information on what is happening around the parish or sign up on our website.*

## MOMENT OF QUIET

*Our service begins with the ringing of a bell and moment of intentional quiet.*

# THE WORD OF GOD

## THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Clergy Leader*

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

*People*

**And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

## THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

God of Love, you know our inner-most thoughts and the deepest secrets of our hearts. Holy Spirit, move into our lives with your mercy and forgiveness, cleanse us and make us whole, so that we are ready to serve you and your creation with love. **Amen.**

*Clergy Leader*

Lord, have mercy.

*People*

**Christ, have mercy.**

*Clergy Leader*

Lord, have mercy.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Clergy Leader*

The Lord be with you.

*People*

**And also with you.**

*Clergy Leader*

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.**

## THE LESSONS

### PHILIPPIANS 4:1-9

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life. Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything,

but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

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

### **PSALM 23**

*Typically, we read the Psalms responsively. Online, we will read the Psalms in unison as a symbol of our enduring connection.*

- 1        The Lord is my shepherd; \*  
          I shall not be in want.**
  
- 2        He makes me lie down in green pastures \*  
          and leads me beside still waters.**
  
- 3        He revives my soul \*  
          and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.**
  
- 4        Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
          I shall fear no evil; \*  
          for you are with me;  
          your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**
  
- 5        You spread a table before me in the presence of those  
          who trouble me; \*  
          you have anointed my head with oil,  
          and my cup is running over.**
  
- 6        Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days  
          of my life, \*  
          and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.**

### **THE HOLY GOSPEL**

#### **MATTHEW 22:1-14**

*Deacon*                The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.  
*People*                **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then

the king said to the attendants, 'Bind his hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

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

## **THE SERMON**

Mary Erickson, Brian Nystrom

*During our time of worship over the web, our sermons will be a conversation among the clergy.*

## **MAKE YOUR OWN EXPRESSION OF LOVE**

*An opportunity to apply what the story teaches us to creatively embody the faith in real time.*

## **MUSIC**

"Church of Christ in every Age"

Kirsten Farney, vocalist, Ron Fabry, piano

The Church of Christ in every age  
Beset by change but Spirit led,  
Must claim and test its heritage  
And keep on rising from the dead.

Across the world, across the street,  
The victims of injustice cry  
For shelter and for bread to eat,  
And never live until they die.

Then let the servant Church arise,  
A caring Church that longs to be  
A partner in Christ's sacrifice,  
And clothed in Christ's humanity.

For he alone, whose blood was shed,  
Can cure the fever in our blood,  
And teach us how to share our bread  
And feed the starving multitude.

We have no mission but to serve  
In full obedience to our Lord:  
To care for all, without reserve,  
And to spread his liberating Word.

## **THE NICENE CREED**

*The People stand as able and say together*

**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,**

**ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER**  
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Holy Communion, Rock  
Springs

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Breitenbach Family  
Shelly Buell  
Holly Buell  
Stan Burch  
Meghan Davis  
Amy Glasgow  
Ruth & Wayne Glass  
Robin Koop  
Edna Larson  
Ernie LaBelle & Frances Pollak  
Anne Marie Letko  
Ned Leyendecker  
Bonnie Longnion  
Julie Mathes  
Mary Elizabeth  
Sue Mertz  
John Oaks  
Olsen Family  
Tony Paulus  
Svetlana Polyanskaya  
Jim Ross  
Emily & John  
Kelly Sales  
Sue Salzmann  
Susie Sheffield  
DeeDee Sorsby  
Mary Talisman  
Jim Thomas  
Thomas  
Nikki Thompson  
Kim Tsamoutales  
Tim Turner  
Jay Varley  
Webber Family  
Cindy Windfield

**CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS**

Liz Collins  
Mary Estes  
Ken Finn  
Ann Frame  
George Harris  
Nancy Hoffman  
Ragan Jolly  
Georgia Ligor  
Randell Mayers  
Charlie Mycoskie  
Summer Owens  
Phil Perry  
Susie Sheffield  
Aiden Ulrich  
Linda Williams

**CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES**

John & Connie Bickner  
AJ & Tory Sanders  
Andrew & Nicole Sheehan

**THOSE WHO HAVE DIED**

Jean Webber

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

*The Clergy Leader and People pray responsively*

*Clergy Leader*

With all our heart and mind, let us pray to God, saying: O God, in your goodness,  
hear our prayer.

In this time of confusion, vulnerability and uncertainty, let us pray to God.

O God, in your goodness,

**hear our prayer.**

That our spiritual leaders may serve your people in ways that demonstrate your  
love and healing power, let us pray to God. O God, in your goodness,  
**hear our prayer.**

That the leaders of this nation, and all others in authority, may be guided by your  
Wisdom, and find strength and courage to know and accomplish your purposes in  
the midst of these troubling times, let us pray to God. O God, in your goodness,  
**hear our prayer.**

That all peoples of the earth, especially the most vulnerable among us, be kept safe.  
Let us pray to God for the special needs of our congregation, especially those on  
our parish prayer list.

*People may add their petitions silently or aloud at this time.*

O God, in your goodness,

**hear our prayer.**

That we, your people may find joy in compassion and unity, that we may find new ways to connect and love one another. Let us pray to God in thanksgiving for those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries:

O God, in your goodness,

**hear our prayer.**

That we may have patience as your work in the world unfolds. That we do not fall into despair but rise in hope, let us pray to God. O God, in your goodness,

**hear our prayer.**

That those who have died may find peace and joy among the communion of saints, let us pray to God.

*People may add their petitions silently or aloud at this time.*

O God, in your goodness,

**hear our prayer.**

*Clergy Leader*

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **THE PEACE**

*Clergy Leader*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*

**And also with you.**

## **PRAYER FOR HEALING**

God whose vision spans all the ages of the earth, help us to see in this moment the pain and suffering our sisters and brothers are subjected to, and give us the will to right the wrongs we have done, by our actions and our inactions. Ease the pain of all your people. Help us also to see beyond this moment and to embrace the wider perspective of your whole creation. Deliver us from fear and lead us into a way of love and justice that makes room for all peoples. Send your spirit among us that we may know the healing power of your love, All this we ask through your son, Jesus, the reconciler of the world. **Amen.**

## **PRAYER FOR COMMUNION**

*The People say together*

**God of Love, we thank you for bringing us together in this place, on this day to honor and to celebrate you and your People, the living, loving Body of Christ. Jesus told his disciples, "Whenever two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them." Bless this gathering as a sacramental rite, a visible sign of your love for us, and our love for one another. Even in the absence of the bread and the wine, let us feed on You, your Son Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit, in our hearts, with faith and thanksgiving. Amen.**

## **BLESSING**

*The Priest blesses the people*

May our hearts feel the song of the meadowlark, our minds the clearness of the mountain air, and our souls the freedom of the soaring eagle. May our faith be renewed as the creek in spring, may we celebrate the saving redemption of the Cross in all its mysteries, may we always feel the love of the community of Christ. And may the blessing of God Almighty, Creator, Redeemer and Giver of Life, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

## THE DISMISSAL

*Deacon  
People*

Alleluia, Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

## POSTLUDE

Fuge in G-minor - Bach

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