



CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF THE ADVENT
IN THE CITY OF BIRMINGHAM

ELEVEN O'CLOCK
AUGUST 7, 2022
The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Communion

THE PEOPLE STAND.

HYMN IN PROCESSION NO. 401

Leoni

THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 323

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

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

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

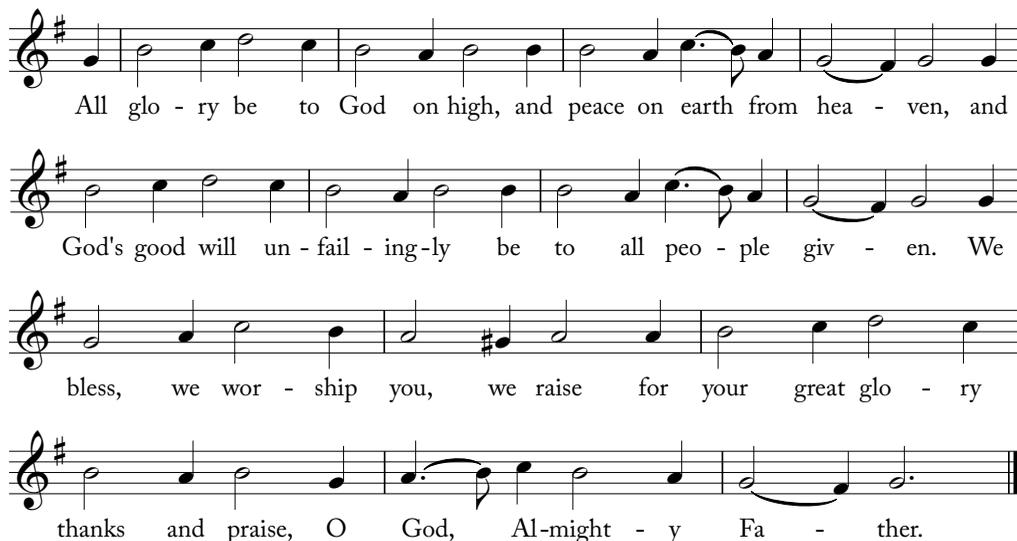
Celebrant: Lord, have mercy upon us.

People: Christ, have mercy upon us.

Celebrant: Lord, have mercy upon us.

GLORIA

Allein Gott in der Höh



All glo - ry be to God on high, and peace on earth from hea - ven, and
God's good will un - fail - ing - ly be to all peo - ple giv - en. We
bless, we wor - ship you, we raise for your great glo - ry
thanks and praise, O God, Al - might - y Fa - ther.

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

THE PEOPLE KNEEL.

Grant to us, Lord, we beseech thee, the spirit to think and do always such things as are right, that we, who cannot exist without thee, may by thee be enabled to live according to thy will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE PEOPLE SIT.

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF GENESIS.

The word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision: "Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great."²But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?"³And Abram said, "Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir."⁴And behold, the word of the Lord came to him: "This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir."⁵And he brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be."⁶And he believed the Lord, and he counted it to him as righteousness. (15:1-6)

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 33:11-21

Anglican Chant: James Turle

SUNG BY THE CHOIR.

- 11 The counsel of the Lord shall endure for ever,
and the thoughts of his heart from generation to generation.
- 12 Blessed are the people whose God is the Lord Jehovah;
and blessed are the folk that he hath chosen to him to be his inheritance.
- 13 The Lord looked down from heaven, and beheld all the children of men;
from the habitation of his dwelling, he considereth all them that dwell on the earth.
- 14 He fashioneth all the hearts of them,
and understandeth all their works.
- 15 There is no king that can be saved by the multitude of an host;
neither is any mighty man delivered by much strength.
- 16 A horse is counted but a vain thing to save a man;
neither shall he deliver any man by his great strength.
- 17 Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon them that fear him,
and upon them that put their trust in his mercy;
- 18 To deliver their soul from death,
and to feed them in the time of dearth.

- 19 Our soul hath patiently tarried for the Lord;
for he is our help and our shield.
20 For our heart shall rejoice in him;
because we have hoped in his holy Name.
21 Let thy merciful kindness, O Lord, be upon us,
like as we do put our trust in thee.

THE PEOPLE STAND.

HYMN NO. 683

Beatitudo

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
ACCORDING TO ST. LUKE.

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said, "Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. ³⁴For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. ³⁵Stay dressed for action and keep your lamps burning, ³⁶and be like men who are waiting for their master to come home from the wedding feast, so that they may open the door to him at once when he comes and knocks. ³⁷Blessed are those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. Truly, I say to you, he will dress himself for service and have them recline at table, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸If he comes in the second watch, or in the third, and finds them awake, blessed are those servants! ³⁹But know this, that if the master of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have left his house to be broken into. ⁴⁰You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect." (12:32-40)

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON

Dean Smalley

THE NICENE CREED

PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 327

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
and of all things visible and invisible;**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of his Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father;
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation
came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered and was buried;
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,
and ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of the Father;
and he shall come again, with glory,
to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life,
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified;
who spake by the Prophets.**

**And I believe one holy catholic and Apostolic Church;
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins;
and I look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

THE PEOPLE KNEEL.

CONFESSION OF SIN

PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 331

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Almighty God,

Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

maker of all things, judge of all men:

We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness,

which we from time to time most grievously have committed,

by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty,

provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.

We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings;

the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable.

Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;

for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,

forgive us all that is past;

and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life,

to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him:

Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you.

-Matthew 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

-John 3:16

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

-1 Timothy 1:15

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the perfect offering for our sins, and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole world.

-1 John 2:1-2

THE PEACE

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

THE PEOPLE SIT.

THE WELCOME

AT THE OFFERTORY, ANTHEM

Joseph W. Clokey

Treasures in Heaven

Lay not up for yourselves treasures on earth,
Where moth and rust doth corrupt,
and where thieves break through and steal,
But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven,
For where your treasure is,
there will your heart be also.

Ask and it shall be given you;
Seek, and ye shall find;
Knock, and it shall be opened unto you,
For every one that asketh receiveth,
And he that seeketh findeth,
And to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

-Matthew 6:19-21; 7:7-8

Treasures in Heaven composed by Joseph W. Clokey (1890-1960) takes its text from the Matthew's Gospel, though a portion of the text is found in our Gospel reading from Luke this morning.

THE PEOPLE STAND.



All things come of thee, O Lord, and of thine own have we giv - en thee. A - men.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 333

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

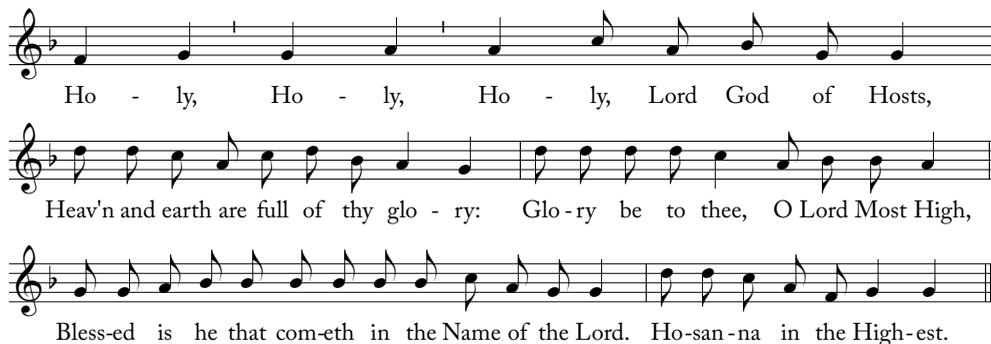
People: It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

[*A proper preface is added here.*] Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

John Merbecke



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Lord God of Hosts,
Heav'n and earth are full of thy glo - ry: Glo - ry be to thee, O Lord Most High,
Bless-ed is he that com-eth in the Name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the High-est.

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THE PEOPLE KNEEL OR SIT, AS THE CELEBRANT CONTINUES WITH THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER.

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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 PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

PRAYER BOOK, PAGE 337

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

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 PEOPLE SIT.

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

All baptized believers in the Lord Jesus Christ are warmly invited to receive Communion either at the rail or at one of the stations. You may receive both the bread and the wine. If you prefer not to receive the wine, simply cross your arms across your chest after receiving the bread. If you wish to receive the wine, you may do so either by drinking from the cup or by dipping the bread in the small intinction vessel inside the cup. In either instance, the chalice bearer will help direct you. (If you have not been baptized, but would like to be, please see one of the ministers following the service.)

HYMN NO. 691

Olivet

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

THE PEOPLE KNEEL.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The peace of God, which passeth 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 Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

THE PEOPLE STAND.

THE DISMISSAL

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

IF YOU DESIRE, KNEEL FOR A MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER.

VOLUNTARY

Fanfare

Jacques Lemmens

THE FLOWERS ARE GIVEN
TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN MEMORY OF

Tade Harrison Thuston
by Laura and Richard Abernethy
John M. Williams

ADULT EDUCATION

Adult Classes take place from 10:15 to 10:50 a.m. and will be available online at Audio.AdventBirmingham.org.

The Dean's Class (Refectory) – *Death and Life in and after Galatians 2 (Honesty: The Life of Death)* – Jono Linebaugh

John for Skeptics: How the Gospel of John Challenges Unbelief (Chapter Room) – Bill Wortman

Faith and Family (Assembly Hall) – *The Covenants of the Bible: What Our Children Will Learn this Year* – Tara Davis

NEXT SUNDAY • AUGUST 14, 2022

Holy Communion at 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m. *in the Nave*, 9:00 a.m. *in the Refectory*, and 5:00 p.m.

Morning Prayer at 11:00 a.m.

*Come to me,
all who labor and are heavy laden,
and I will give you rest.*

Matthew 11.28

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