

PRELUDE: Two Preludes

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## PRESENTATION OF THE WORD

*(The congregation's responses are in bold)*

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*The people, standing as able, through the Collect of the Day*

**HYMN 705:** As those of old their first fruits brought

*Unison or harmony*

1 As those of old their first fruits brought of vine - yard, flock, and  
\*2 A world in need now sum - mons us to la - bor, love, and  
3 With grat - i - tude and hum - ble trust we bring our best to

field to God, the giv - er of all good, the  
give; to make our life an of - fer - ing to  
thee to serve thy cause and share thy love with

source of bount-eous yield; so we to - day our  
God that all may live; the Church of Christ is  
all hu - man - i - ty. O thou who gav - est

first fruits bring, the wealth of this good land, of  
call - ing us to make the dream come true: a  
us thys - elf in Je - sus Christ thy Son, help

farm and mar - ket, shop and home, of mind, and heart, and hand.  
world re - deemed by Christ - like love; all life in Christ made new.  
us to give our - selves each day un - til life's work is done.

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

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

### COLLECT FOR PURITY

*Presider* 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.**

*Sung in unison with the choir*

### GLORIA, S280: Glory to God, *Gloria in excelsis*

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly

King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we  
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus  
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy  
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,  
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most  
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the  
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

**COLLECT OF THE DAY:** Proper 21

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**Presider** The Lord be with you.

**People** **And also with you.**

**Presider** Let us pray. *(Silence)*

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may

become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*The people, seated through the Second Reading*

**FIRST READING:** Amos 6:1a, 4-7

*Reader*      A reading from Amos.

Alas for those who are at ease in Zion,  
    and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria.  
Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory,  
    and lounge on their couches,  
and eat lambs from the flock,  
    and calves from the stall;  
who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp,  
    and like David improvise on instruments of music;  
who drink wine from bowls,  
    and anoint themselves with the finest oils,  
    but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!  
Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile,  
    and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

*Reader*      The Word of the Lord.

**People**      **Thanks be to God. (Silence)**

*Sung in unison after Cantor sings first verse.*

**RESPONSE:** Psalm 146:1, 4-9, *Lauda, anima mea*

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1 Hallelujah!

Praise the LORD, O / my soul! \*

I will praise the LORD as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I / have my being. ...

- 4 Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for / their help! \*  
whose hope is in / the LORD their God;**
- 5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is / in them; \*  
who keeps his / promise for ever;**
- 6 Who gives justice to those who are / oppressed, \*  
and food to / those who hunger.**
- 7 The LORD sets the prisoners free;  
the LORD opens the eyes of / the blind; \*  
the LORD lifts up those / who are bowed down;**
- 8 The LORD loves the righteous;  
the LORD cares for the / stranger; \*  
he sustains the orphan and widow,  
but frustrates the / way of the wicked.**
- 9 The LORD shall reign for / ever, \*  
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.  
/ Hallelujah!**

**SECOND READING:** 1 Timothy 6:6-19

*Reader*      A reading from the first letter to Timothy.

There is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time-- he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of

kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

*The people, standing as able*

**HYMN 437 (vs. 1, 2): Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!**

1 Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of the Lord!  
2 Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of his Name!  
3 Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of his might!  
4 Tell out, my soul, the glo - ries of his word!

Un - num - bered bless - ings give my spi - rit voice;  
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;  
Powers and do - min - ions lay their glo - ry by.  
Firm is his prom - ise, and his mer - cy sure.

ten - der to me the prom - ise of his word;  
his mer - cy sure, from age to age the same;  
Proud hearts and stub - born wills are put to flight,  
Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of the Lord

in God my Sa - vior shall my heart re - jice.  
his ho - ly Name- the Lord, the Might - y One.  
the hun - gry fed, the hum - ble lift - ed high.  
to chil - dren's chil - dren and for ev - er - more!

**THE GOSPEL:** Luke 16:19-31

**Gospeller** The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

**People** **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house-- for I have five brothers-- that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

**Gospeller** The Gospel of the Lord.

**People** **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*The people, seated*

**HOMILY:** David Wolf, Executive Director, SMGW

*The people, standing as able, the Creed is said in unison*

**THE NICENE CREED**

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**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

*Leader* With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

*The prayers are read by the leader and the People respond*

*Leader* In the communion of blessed Francis of Assisi and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

*People* **To you, O Lord our God.** *(Silence)*

*Presider* Almighty God, who created us in your image: Grant us grace fearlessly to contend against evil and to make no peace with oppression; and, that we may reverently use our freedom, help us to employ it in the maintenance of justice in our communities and among the nations, to the glory of your holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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*Presider* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *(Silence)*

*Minister and the 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,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*Presider* 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.**

**EXCHANGE OF THE PEACE**

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



san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. \_\_\_\_\_

*Presider* Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

*At the 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 he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.



*Intoned by the Cantor, Presider and the People.*

## LORD'S PRAYER

*Presider* 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.**

## BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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*Presider* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*People* **Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

COMMUNION INVITATION

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Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed oin him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

*The people, seated until the ushers invite you forward*

HYMN 304: I come with joy to meet my Lord

*Unison or harmony*

1 I come with joy to meet my Lord, for -  
2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to  
3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each  
4 And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His  
5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, we'll

1 giv - en, loved, and free, in awe and won - der  
2 find, as all are fed, the new com - mu - ni -  
3 proud di - vi - sion ends. That love that made us  
4 pres - ence, al - ways near, is in such friend - ship  
5 go our dif - ferent ways, and as his peo - ple

1 to re - call his life laid down for me.  
2 ty of love in Christ's com - mun - ion bread.  
3 makes us one, and stran - gers now are friends.  
4 bet - ter known: we see, and praise him here.  
5 in the world, we'll live and speak his praise.

*The people, standing through the Dismissal*

**POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER**

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*Presider* Let us pray.

**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.**

**BLESSING**

*Presider* 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.**

**HYMN 625: Ye holy angels bright**

*Descant*

4 My soul, bear thou thy part, triumph in God above: and

1 Ye ho - ly an - gels bright, who wait at God's right hand, or  
2 Ye bless - ed souls at rest, who ran this earth - ly race and  
3 Ye saints, who toil be - low, a - dore your heaven - ly King, and  
4 My soul, bear thou thy part, triumph in God a - bove: and

with a well - tuned heart sing thou the songs of love! Let all thy  
through the realms of light fly at your Lord's com - mand, as - sist our  
now, from sin re - leased, be - hold the Sa - vior's face, God's prais - es  
on - ward as ye go some joy - ful an - them sing; take what he  
with a well-tuned heart sing thou the songs of love! Let all thy  
days till life shall end, what - e'er he send, be filled with praise.  
song, for else the theme too high doth seem for mor - tal tongue.  
sound, as in his sight with sweet de - light ye do a - bound.  
gives and praise him still, through good or ill, who ev - er lives!  
days till life shall end, what - e'er he send, be filled with praise.

**DISMISSAL**

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**Leader** Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

**People** Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE: March**

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