St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

Holy Eucharist: Rite Two



Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 10, 2023 | 9:00am

The Reverend Karen Swanson, Celebrant and Preacher

Prelude

Please stand as you are able



Opening Acclamation

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

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



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The Collect of the Day

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The Celebrant says to the people

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The Lord be with you.

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People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

Collect for Gregory Aglipay

Eternal God, you called Gregorio Agliplay to witness to your truth in the renewal of your Church in the Philippines. Help us, like him, to be guided by your Holy Spirit, that people everywhere may hear the saving words of our Savior, so that all may believe and find eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

The Lessons

The people sit. One or two Lessons, as appointed, are read, the Reader first saying

A reading from the first book of Samuel (17:32-35a; 37; 41-42, 45, 48a,49-50a)

David said to King Saul, "Let no one's heart fail because of Goliath; your servant will go and fight with this Philistine." Saul said to David, "You are not able to go up against this Philistine to fight with him; for you are just a boy and he has been a warrior from his youth." But David said to Saul, "Your servant used to keep sheep for his father; and whenever a lion or a bear came, and took a lamb from the flock, I went after it and struck it down. The Lord, who saved me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, will save me from the hand of this Philistine." So Saul said to David, "Go and may the Lord be with you!"

The Philistine came on and drew near to David, with his shield-bearer in front of him. When the Philistine looked and saw David, he disdained him, for he was only a youth, ruddy and handsome in appearance.

But David said to the Philistine, "You come to me with sword and spear and javelin; but I come to you in the name of the Lord of Hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. This very day the Lord will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you down and cut off your head.

When the Philistine drew nearer to meet David, David ran quickly toward the battle line to meet the Philistine. David put his hand in his bag, took out a stone, slung it, and struck the Philistine on his forehead. The stone sank into his forehead, and he fell face down on the ground. So David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and a stone.

After the Reading, the Reader says

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

Psalm 149:1-5 Cantate Domino



- 1 Hallelujah!
 Sing to the LORD a new *song;* *
 sing his praise in the congregation of the *faithful*.
- 2 Let Israel rejoice in his *Maker*; * let the children of Zion be joyful in their *King*.
- 3 Let them praise his Name in the *dance*; * let them sing praise to him with timbrel and *harp*.
- 4 For the LORD takes pleasure in his *people* * and adorns the poor with *victory*.
- 5 Let the faithful rejoice in *triumph*; * let them be joyful on their *beds*.

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah (40:27-31)

Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

After the Reading, the Reader says

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.



The Gospel

Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (18:15-20)

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

After the Gospel, the Reader says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Karen Swanson

The Nicene Creed

The Celebrant and People then say the Nicene Creed together, all standing.

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

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In the silence that follows each bidding, intercessions may be offered silently, or aloud.

Celebrant Our Lord Jesus has promised that, when we gather in his name, he is here among us. Let us pray saying, "We are gathered in your name; accept our prayers."

Leader O Lord, you take pleasure in your people: May your Church be a community of honesty and humility. Help us to love each other—especially when love is a challenge. The congregation is invited to add their thanksgivings and petitions, followed by silence.

Leader We are gathered in your name;

People Accept our prayers.

O Lord, you adorn the poor with victory: be with the hungry and the oppressed. Comfort the grieving. Give peace to all whose lives have been upset by natural disaster and war. *The congregation is invited to add their thanksgivings and petitions, followed by silence.*

We are gathered in your name;

Accept our prayers.

O Lord, you have caused grapes to grow on the vine and wheat to grow in the fields so that we might celebrate this festival today. Bless the land to grow enough that all people may celebrate its bounty. The congregation is invited to add their thanksgivings, followed by silence.

We are gathered in your name;

Accept our prayers.

O Lord, your Law is summarized, "Love your neighbor as yourself." Help us to love our neighbors so that we might do no wrong by anyone. The congregation is invited to add their thanksgivings and petitions, followed by silence.

We are gathered in your name;

Accept our prayers.

O Lord, may all those who now lament see the day when they shall sing to you a new song—a song of joy and praise. May those who weep, dance for joy. May the anxious rest on their beds in peace. And may all know that it was you, the Lord, who did this. *The congregation is invited to add their thanksgivings and petitions, followed by silence.*

We are gathered in your name;

Accept our prayers.

O Lord, care for the dead as they await the great day of resurrection. May all who have died rest in your peace. The congregation is invited to add their thanksgivings and petitions, followed by silence.

We are gathered in your name;

Accept our prayers.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Stories from our Kūpuna

Glen Biven Jane Murakami Fred Domingo

Blessing of a pregnant woman

O Lord and giver of life, receive our prayer for Sara and for the children she has conceived, that they may happily come to the time of birth, and serving you in all things may rejoice in your loving providence. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen. Blessed are you, Lord God.

You have blessed the union of Sara and Francis.

Amen. Blessed are you, Lord God.

May your blessing be upon Sara and the children she carries.

Amen. Blessed are you, Lord God.

May this time of pregnancy be for Sara and Francis months of drawing nearer to you and to one another.

Amen. Blessed are you, Lord God.

May Sara and Francis' experience of birth be full of awe and wonder and the joy of sharing in your creation.

Amen. Blessed are you, Lord God.

Let the fullness of your blessing be upon those whom we bless in your Name: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Prayers for special occasions

Birthday prayer: Watch over thy *child*, O Lord, as *his* days increase; bless and guide *him* wherever *he* may be. Strengthen *him* when *he* stands; comfort *him* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *him* up if *he* fall; and in *his* heart may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of *his* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

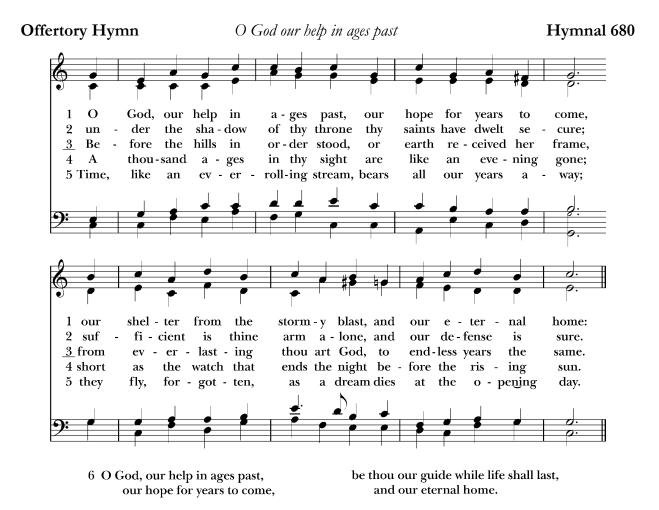
Anniversary prayer: Most gracious God, by the power of your Holy Spirit, pour out the abundance of your blessing upon this couple. Defend them from every enemy. Lead them into all peace. Let their love for each other be a seal upon their hearts, a mantle about their shoulders, and a crown upon their foreheads. Bless them in their work and in the companionship; in their sleeping and in their waking; in their joys and in their sorrows; and in their life and in their death. Amen.

The Announcements

The Holy Communion

The Celebrant begins with the Offertory sentence

Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint. *Isaiah 40:31*



Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, and money or other gifts, to the deacon or celebrant. The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar. Once the altar is prepared the following Doxology may be sung.

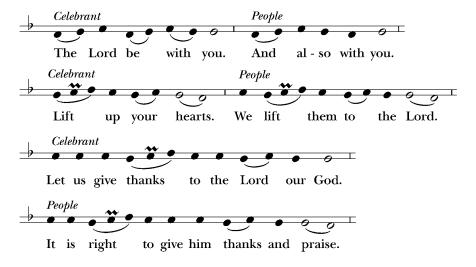


The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

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

The Sursum corda Hymnal S 120

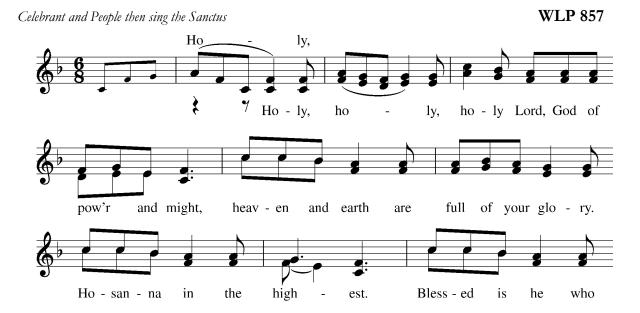


Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:





The people stand or kneel.

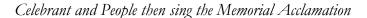
Then the Celebrant continues

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.

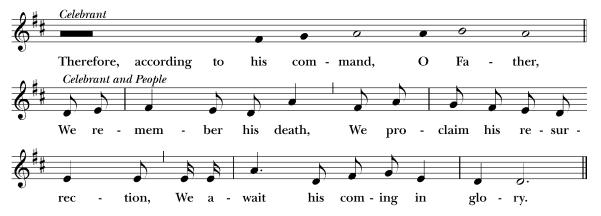
At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it, and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night 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."



Hymnal S 138

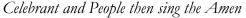


The Celebrant continues

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 the Queen Emma, King Kamehameha IV, Queen Lili'uokalani, Saints Damien and Marianne of Moloka'i, our patron Saint Timothy, and 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*.



Hymnal S 143



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.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Then shall be said,

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Ministration of Communion

The people are seated. In the Episcopal Church, all baptized persons are welcome to receive the Holy Communion regardless of age or Christian tradition. Anglicans believe in the "Real Presence" where, in the Bread and Wine, Christ is made "real" and "present." The nature of this grace is that Christ received even if one of the elements is received alone. During this time of pandemic as case numbers decline, vaccinations increase, and treatments improve, we are again distributing the Bread and the Wine in Communion. Communing from the common cup is optional, based on your personal judgment. The chalice on your left (facing the altar) will be for intinction; the chalice on the right is for those who wish to drink from the cup. Please refrain if you are not feeling well. Those who are not baptized may receive a blessing; please join in the movement to the altar and cross your arms over your heart; this will alert the Celebrant of your desire to receive a blessing.

Faith @ Home: Prayer/Āct of Reception for those who cannot receive the Sacrament (from St. Augustine's Prayer Book, Order of the Holy Cross)

In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, I long to offer praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory. I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive Communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. *Amen*.

Communion Hymn Let us break bread together Hymnal 325 1 Let break bread to - geth-er knees;_ us on our 2 Let drink wine to - geth-er us on our knees;_ let break bread to - geth-er us on our knees;_ let drink wine to - geth-er on our us knees;_ Refrain fall knees, with my when I on my face to the ris-ing sun, 1 2 Lord, have mer-cy on me._ 3 Let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees;_ praise God to - geth-er let us on our knees;_ Refrain I fall knees, with my when on my face to the ris-ing sun,

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Postcommunion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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 Priest blesses the people, saying

Blessing

Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those with whom we walk the way. So let us be swift to love and make haste to be kind. And the blessing of God Almighty: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be with you now and always. *Amen*.



The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses them with these words

Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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