Second Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude Fantasia No. 6 G. P. Telemann

Opening Hymn 381 "Thy strong word did cleave the darkness"

The people standing, the Celebrant says

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

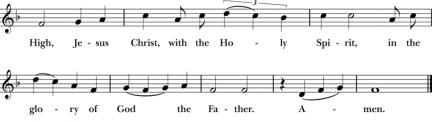
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

The Celebrant may say

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*.

Hymn of Praise





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The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you. *People* And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, your never-failing providence sets in order all things both in heaven and earth: Put away from us, we entreat you, all hurtful things, and give us those things which are profitable for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy 5:12-15

Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 81:1-10

- 1 Sing with joy to God our strength * and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob.
- 2 Raise a song and sound the timbrel, * the merry harp, and the lyre.
- 3 Blow the ram's-horn at the new moon, * and at the full moon, the day of our feast.
- 4 For this is a statute for Israel, * a law of the God of Jacob.
- 5 He laid it as a solemn charge upon Joseph, * when he came out of the land of Egypt.
- 6 I heard an unfamiliar voice saying *
 "I eased his shoulder from the burden;
 his hands were set free from bearing the load."
- 7 You called on me in trouble, and I saved you; * I answered you from the secret place of thunder and tested you at the waters of Meribah.

8 Hear, O my people, and I will admonish you: *

O Israel, if you would but listen to me!

9 There shall be no strange god among you; * you shall not worship a foreign god.

10 I am the LORD your God,

who brought you out of the land of Egypt and said, *

"Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it."

A reading from Paul's second letter to the Corinthians 4:5-12

We do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you.

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People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn 440 "Blessed Jesus, at thy word"

The Gospel: Mark 2:23-3:6 (All stand.)

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

One sabbath Jesus and his disciples were going through the grainfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?" And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food? He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions." Then he said to them, "The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath."

Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. They watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. And he said to the man who had the withered hand, "Come forward." Then he said to them, "Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent. He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

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

Children's Sermon

Sermon

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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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

From Praying the Scriptures: Litanies for Sunday Worship, by Rt. Rev. Jeremiah D. Williamson

Brothers and sisters, we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Holy Spirit intercedes with sighs deep for words. So let us make our invocation, "Come, Holy Spirit.

People: Come, Holy Spirit.

Holy God, pour out your Spirit upon your Church. Bless all your ministers, lay and ordained, to declare salvation. *Silence*. Come, Holy Spirit.

People: Come, Holy Spirit.

Holy God, pour out your Spirit upon all flesh. May young people see visions; may old people

dream dreams. May all people experience your salvation. Silence. Come, Holy Spirit.

People: Come, Holy Spirit.

Holy God, the whole creation groans for your redemption. You have filled the earth with those good things. Give us your saving works in the world around us. *Invite the congregation to add their thanksgivings, followed by silence*. Come, Holy Spirit.

People: Come, Holy Spirit.

Holy God, we thank you for the rich and diverse religious community of our city. We agree and we disagree. Give us faith to trust you to guide all religious communities into all the truth. *Silence*. Come, Holy Spirit.

People: Come, Holy Spirit.

Holy God, grant that all those who are sick and suffering, threatened and afraid, may evermore rejoice in the Spirit's holy comfort. *Invite the congregation to add their petitions, followed by silence*. Come, Holy Spirit.

People: Come, Holy Spirit.

Holy God, you send forth your Spirit to create and renew. Give to [...and] all the departed eternal rest. Silence. Come, Holy Spirit.

People: Come, Holy Spirit.

Holy Spirit we give you thanks for... who are celebrating their birthdays this week and for... who are celebrating their wedding anniversary this week. *Silence*. Come, Holy Spirit.

People: Come, Holy Spirit.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

Confession

Deacon or Priest

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Minister and 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.

Absolution

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.*

The Peace

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements

The Offertory

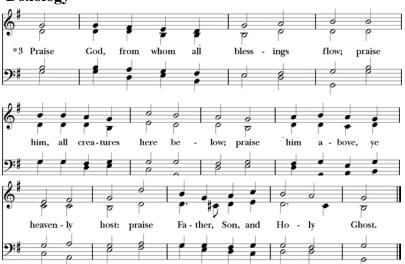
Offertory Anthem

Ave Verum Corpus

W. A. Mozart

The people's gifts of bread and wine, along with the collection, are brought to the Altar. (Please stand.)

Doxology



The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer C

In this prayer, the lines in italics are spoken by the People.

The Celebrant, faces them and says

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us.

By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:



And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving, We celebrate his death and resurrection,

As we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Father; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ,

that we may worthily serve the world in his name. Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. *AMEN*.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we pray as we sing

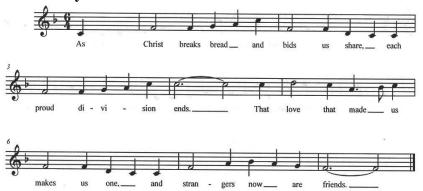




The Breaking of the Bread

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

Fraction Hymn



The Invitation

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Hymn 325 "Let us break bread together on our knees"

Post Communion Prayer

After Communion, the Presider says Let us pray.

Presider 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*.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn 655 "O Jesus, I have promised"

Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Postlude Fantasia No. 12 G. P. Telemann