

# Morning Prayer and Holy Eucharist at the Church of St. Paul, Cambria 10 Pentecost • August 14, 2022

### Opening Hymn 558 Faith of Our Fathers

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

In the cross of your Son, the sign of contradiction, you reveal, O God, our hearts' inmost secrets. Let us not refuse to embrace the challenge and choice Jesus offers. May we turn aside from the easy way, the general drift of our culture, and make the decision to follow Christ in his ways. Help us to take bold steps in the right direction as we confess our sins against you and our neighbors.

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.

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.

Lord, open our lips

And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: **O come, let us adore him.** 

#### Psalm 67:1-5 Deus Misereatur

- O God, be merciful to us and bless us, \*show us the light of your countenance and come to us.
- Let your ways be known upon earth, \* your saving health among all nations.
- Let the peoples praise you, O God; \* let all the peoples praise you.
- Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, \* for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations upon earth.
- Let the peoples praise you, O God; \* let all the peoples praise you.

The Psalm of the Day: Psalm 80:1-2, 8-18

- 1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock;
- \*shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.
- 2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, \*stir up your strength and come to help us.
- 8 You have brought a vine out of Egypt; \*you cast out the nations and planted it.
- 9 You prepared the ground for it; \*it took root and filled the land.
- 10 The mountains were covered by its shadow \* and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.
- 11 You stretched out its tendrils to the Sea \* and its branches to the River.
- 12 Why have you broken down its wall, so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?
- 13 The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it, \* and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.
- 14 Turn now, O God of hosts, look down from heaven; behold and tend this vine; \* preserve what your right hand has planted.
- 15 They burn it with fire like rubbish; \*at the rebuke of your countenance let them perish.
- 16 Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, \*the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.
  17 And so will we never turn away from you; \*give us life, that we may call upon your Name.
- 18 Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; \*show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

#### The Lessons

Isaiah 5:1-7

Let me sing for my beloved, my love-song concerning his vineyard:

My beloved had a vineyard, on a very fertile hill. He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it;

he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes.

And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard.

What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it?

When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes?

And now I will tell you, what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down.

I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be overgrown with briers and thorns;

I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it.

For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his pleasant planting; he expected justice, but saw bloodshed; righteousness, but heard a cry!

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God. Canticle S: A Song of Our True Nature

Julian of Norwich

Christ revealed our frailty and our falling, \* our trespasses and our humiliations.

Christ also revealed his blessed power, \* his blessed wisdom and love.

He protects us as tenderly and as sweetly when we are in greatest need; \* he raises us in spirit and turns everything to glory and joy without ending.

God is the ground and the substance, the very essence of nature; \* God is the true father and

mother of natures.

We are all bound to God by nature, \* and we are all bound to God by grace. And this grace is for all the world, \* because it is our precious mother, Christ.

For this fair nature was prepared by Christ for the honor and nobility of all, \* and for the joy and bliss of salvation.

#### **The Second Lesson** Hebrews 11:29-12:2

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets-- who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented-- of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God

had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God. seat at the right hand of the throne of God the cross,

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

# Canticle A: A Song of Wisdom Sapientia liberavit Wisdom 10:15-19,20b-21

Wisdom freed from a nation of oppressors \* a holy people and a blameless race.

She entered the soul of a servant of the Lord, \* withstood dread rulers with wonders and signs.

To the saints she gave the reward of their labors, \* and led them by a marvelous way;

She was their shelter by day \* and a blaze of stars by night.

She brought them across the Red Sea, \* she led them through mighty waters;

But their enemies she swallowed in the waves \* and spewed them out from the depths of the abyss.

And then, Lord, the righteous sang hymns to your Name, \* and praised with one voice your protecting hand;

For Wisdom opened the mouths of the mute, \* and gave speech to the tongues of a new-born people.

# A reading from the **Gospel** of our Lord according to Luke 12:49-56

Jesus said, "I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided:

father against son and son against father, mother against daughter, and daughter against mother,

mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law." He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain'; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat'; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?" Here ends the Gospel reading.

Here follows 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: 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**

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Let us pray

#### **Collect of the Day**

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

#### **Additional Collect**

Lord Christ, at times, we are like strangers on this earth, taken aback by all the violence, the harsh oppositions. Like a gentle breeze, you breathe upon us the Spirit of peace. Transfigure the deserts of our doubts, and so prepare us to be bearers of reconciliation wherever you place us, until the day when a hope of peace dawns in our world. Amen.

The Sermon Sermon Music Canon Mark Hall

#### The Prayers of the People

We hope to see the Lord's work in this world, answering God's call and not fighting against it. Let us pray with one voice, saying: Lord, hear our prayer.

(As you feel called, please take turns reading one or more of the petitions. Please observe a short silence at the indicated times.)

Help us to heed and not to harm the messenger of peace, we pray to you, O Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

Help us to bear and not to break the discipline of truth, we pray to you, O Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

Help us to feel and never to fear the love of Christ, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.** 

To those who must bear a message of peace, give a Christ-like courage, we pray to you, O Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

To those who must teach the ways of truth, give a Christ-like strength, we pray to you, O Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

To those who must love when hatred rules, give a Christ-like heart, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.** 

Take away war; take away lies; take away hatred, we pray to you, O Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

Send us prophets; send us teachers, sons and daughters of your name, we pray to you, O Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

Send your holy angels to guard and guide out young people serving in dangerous places, we pray to you, O Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.** 

(Here other intercessions may be offered.)

O Lord, we have learned what to ask you through your Son, the peacemaker, the teacher of truth, who loved without limit. It is you that he revealed. We want to be like you in him, through whom we pray. **Amen.** 

Celebrant concludes with:

It is your way with life that we want, O Lord, that we ask of you. And you have offered it. It is a joy to live by you. May those who do not know this find it out through your presence to their world. We pray in Jesus' name. **Amen.** 

**Offertory:** Walk in love as Christ loved us and offered himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. (*Ephesians*)

Offertory Hymn 658 As Longs the Deer

**Prayer over the gifts**: Loving God and Father, you have adopted us to be your heirs. Accept all we offer you this day and give us grace to live as faithful children. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

## The Great Thanksgiving (EP A)

The Lord be with you.
Lift up your hearts.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

And also with you.
We lift them to the Lord.
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

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:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might (Repeat) Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest (Repeat) Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest (Repeat).

(The People stand or kneel.)

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.

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 thanks-giving. 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. **Amen.** And now as our Savior taught us, we are bold to pray (sung):

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

### The Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.** 

The Celebrant says this Invitation

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.

## **Communion of the People**

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Eternal God, we have received a token of your promise. May we who have been nourished by holy things live as faithful heirs of your promised kingdom. 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 forever. Amen.

Blessing: Christ who has nourished us with himself, the living bread, make you one in praise and love, and raise you up at the last day, and the blessing of God almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with your forever. Amen.

#### The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.** *Greet one another in the Lord's name.* 

Closing Hymn 756 WLP Lead Me Guide Me

#### **Announcements**

Thanksgiving Prayer: We give you thanks, O God, for your many blessings: for our days of celebration, for the love that surrounds us, for your healing presence in our lives. Keep us in your care, we pray, and help us to live as truly thankful people. Amen.

Dismissal: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!