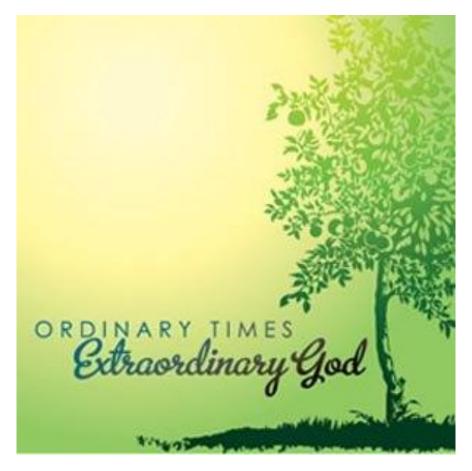
## **The Sixth Sunday** after Pentecost



July 4, 2021



Wide Open Doors Wide Open Hearts

## **Gentle Reminders for our Guests today:**

As a community in Christ, we are called to work together to create a worship experience that is **safe for everyone** – ourselves, our neighbors, and our loved ones.



As a gentle reminder, **please wear your masks at all times over your mouth and nose** when inside of the Church and its adjoining property. We ask that you gently remind your neighbors to do the same when necessary.

During **the Peace**, we invite you to connect with your neighbors by waving, showing the peace sign, or using fist or elbow bumps. Please be sure that your neighbor is comfortable with physical connections before offering that kind of peace.





**Children** are welcome to join us for worship services today! We do not mind little voices and noises that children naturally make, so don't worry if they are not sitting perfectly still and silent! That's not normal! We do ask that all family members sit together throughout the service.

**Offering:** We will not be passing a plate today, you can give to the church by dropping your envelope or money in the plate located near the table with the bulletins. You can also text **CHT DONATE to 73256.** or use the Realm app on your phone.



**Communion** will be given in the form of bread only. The priest will bring the bread to you in your seat. We ask that you please use the individual hand sanitizer before receiving and stand in your pew to indicate your desire to receive communion.

Thank you for joining us today and helping us with your cooperation. Together — we'll get through this.

# The Service of Holy Communion, Rite II

**Prelude** Behold with Joy

William Billings, arr. Robert J. Powell

Behold with joy the peaceful state of people, where Jehovah reigns, Whose wisdom, power, and goodness great their glorious freedom still maintain. (Elhanan Winchester, 1776)



## **Opening Acclamation**

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

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.

Amen.

## **The Collect for Purity**

Leader

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.

The Gloria Gerald Near



## The Collect of the Day

Leader The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Leader Let us pray.

Leader

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### The First Lesson

**Ezekiel 2:1-5** 

Reader A reading from the Prophet Ezekiel.

The Lord said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, "Thus says the Lord God." Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Silence

## C. Hylton Stewart



- 1 To you I / lift up my / eyes, \* to you en/throned / in the / heavens.
- 2 As the eyes of servants look to the / hand of their / masters, \* and the eyes of a / maid to the / hand of her / mistress,
- 3 So our eyes look to the / LORD our / God, \* un/til he / show us his / mercy.
- 4 Have mercy upon us, O / LORD, have / mercy, \* for we have had / more than e/nough of con/tempt,
- 5 Too much of the scorn of the / indolent / rich, \* and of the de/rision / of the / proud.

## **The Second Lesson**

**2 Corinthians 12:2-10** 

Reader A reading from Paul's second letter to the Corinthians.

I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows— was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth.

But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness." So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

## The Sequence Hymn

## If thou but trust in God Wer nur den lieben Gott

## Hymnal 635



The Gospel Mark 6:1-13

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

Jesus came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

Leader The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

#### The Nicene Creed

ΑII

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, Form VI

Reader: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Reader: For all people in their daily life and work;

People: For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who

are alone.

Reader: For this community, the nation, and the world;

People: For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Reader: For the just and proper use of your creation;

People: For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Reader: For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People: For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the

needy.

Reader: For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People: For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Reader: For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Daniel, our Bishop; and

for all bishops and other ministers;

People: For all who serve God in his Church.

Reader: For the **special needs and concerns** of this congregation.

We pray for those who have asked for our prayers, especially, Ruben, Beth, Devon, Jerry's Family, Jim, Michael, Kyle, the Vicker Family, David, Mark, Michael, the Smith Family, Rebecca's family, Mary's family, Grandma Moon, Roy, James, the Carambo Family, Vincent, the Ayrey Family, the Cohen Family, the Phillips Family, Grace, Scott, Jeff, Eddie, Edwina,

Kara, and Megan.

Prayers from the congregation may be added

Reader Hear us, Lord;

People For your mercy is great.

Reader We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We pray

the prayers our children have asked for especially: for the comfort of family and friends of those who were in the building collapse in Florida; for those who are suffering all over the world; that everyone has a good summer; that everyone who wants a COVID vaccination can get it; we thank

you for a good end of the school year and that we are able to meet up with friends, be healthy and have fun.

For our return to in-person worship.

For those who are celebrating **Birthdays or Anniversaries** this week.

And for all our thanksgivings:

Prayers from the congregation may be added

Reader: We will exalt you, O God our King;

People: And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Reader: We pray for all who have died, especially Ben, that they may

have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Prayers from the congregation may be added

Reader: Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People: Who put their trust in you.

Reader: We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

#### **Confession & Absolution**

All Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Leader

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

Leader The Peace of the Lord be always with you

People And also with you.

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## **Parish Notices**

Morning Prayer continues each weekday at 9:00 am and Candlelight Compline on Wednesdays at 5:30 pm. Join us on Facebook Live.

Join us in Rittenhouse Square after 12:15 pm on Sundays. BYO coffee, tea, water or whatever, for a socially-distanced gathering with friends. Bring a mask and look for the banner in the Square.

If you wish to give a gift today, we encourage you to do so during the Offertory Anthem. You can do this by texting CHT DONATE to 73256 or Pressing Learn More on our Facebook Page or, if you are watching on our website, you can click the donate button on the top of the page.

## **Offertory Sentence**

Leader

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. (Ephesians 5:1-2)

## **Offertory Anthem** Battle Hymn of the Republic **Peter Wilhousky**

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord; He is tramping out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored; He has loosed the fateful lightning of His terrible swift sword, His truth is marching on.

(Refrain) Glory, glory, hallelujah! Glory, glory, hallelujah! His truth is marching on.

I have seen Him in the watchfires of a hundred circling camps. They have builded Him an altar in the evening dews and damps; I can read His righteous sentence by the dim and flaring lamps, His day is marching on. (Refrain)

In the beauty of the lilies, Christ was born across the sea, with a glory in His bosom that transfigures you and me; As He died to make men holy, let us live to make men free, While God is marching on. (Refrain) (Julia Ward Howe)



## **The Great Thanksgiving**

**Eucharistic Prayer B** 

Leader The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Leader Lift up your hearts.

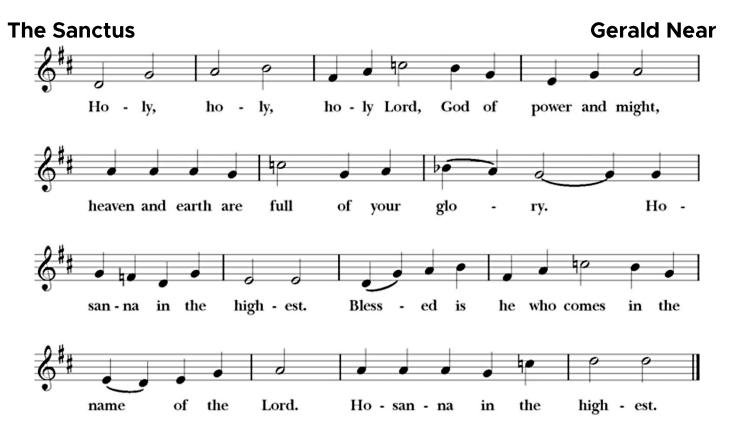
People We lift them to the Lord.

Leader Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Leader

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:



Leader

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.

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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

All We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

Leader

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 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.

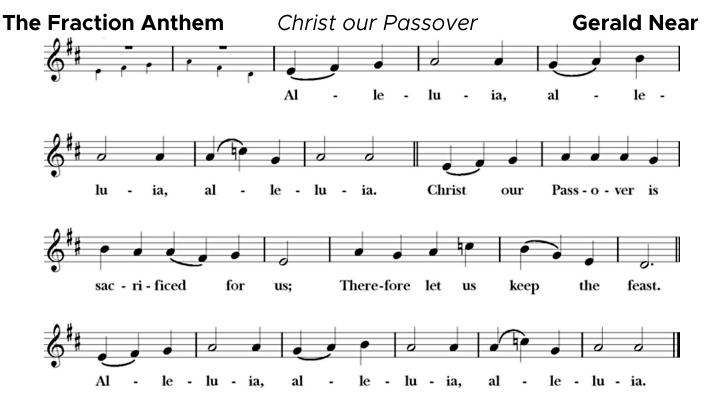
By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

#### All AMEN.

## The Lord's Prayer

Leader And now, as our Savior Jesus Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

All 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.



Leader 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.

#### **Distribution of Communion**

Communion will be given in one kind only (bread). Those who wish to receive communion should sanitize their hands and stand in their pews. The priest will give communion to the choir and organist first, and then will bring it to the congregation in their pews. If you need a gluten-free wafer or prefer a blessing for yourself or your child, please let the priest know when they come to your pew.

## **The Prayer for Spiritual Communion** (for those at home)

All My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen. (St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)



## **Post Communion Prayer**

Leader Let us pray.

All

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

Leader The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the

Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you always.

People Amen.

#### The Dismissal

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

spirit.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude America

Wilbur Held

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