# he Church of the Holy Trinit

Rittenhouse Square

# The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 AM Holy Eucharist with Confirmation and Reception



# WIDE OPEN HEARTS WIDE OPEN DOORS

October 3, 2021

# Gentle Reminders for our Guests today:

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



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.

# HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II WITH CONFIRMATION AND RECEPTION

The Prelude

Adagio in E Major

Frank Bridge

### THE ENTRANCE RITE

### All stand and sing

The Entrance Hymn 1: Father, we praise thee

Christe Sanctorum



### **OPENING ACCLAMATION**

Standing, as able.

Bishop:Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.PeopleAnd blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.Bishop:There is one Body and one Spirit;People:There is one hope in God's call to us;Bishop:One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;People:One God and Father of all.

*Bishop:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* And also with you.

*Bishop:* Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

The people sit.

# THE WORD OF GOD

### The First Lesson: Genesis 2:18-24

Andy Gutknecht

Reader A Reading from Genesis.

The Lord God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner." So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken." Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

Silence is kept.

All stand and sing



<sup>1</sup> O | Lord our | Governor, \* how exalted is your | Name in | all the |world!

- <sup>2</sup> Out of the mouths of | infants and | children \* your majesty is | praised a- | bove the | heavens.
- <sup>3</sup> You have set up a stronghold a- | gainst your | adversaries, \* to quell the | ene- my | and the a- | venger.
- <sup>4</sup> When I consider your heavens, the | work of your | fingers, \* the moon and the | stars you have | set in their | courses,
- <sup>5</sup> What is man that you should be | mindful | of him? \* the son of | man that you should | seek him | out?

- <sup>6</sup> You have made him but little lower | than the | angels; \* you a- | dorn him with | glory and | honor;
- <sup>7</sup> You give him mastery over the | works of your | hands; \* you put | all things | under • his | feet:
- <sup>8</sup> All | sheep and | oxen, \* even the | wild beasts | of the | field,
  <sup>9</sup> The birds of the air, the | fish of • the | sea, \* and whatsoever | walks in • the | paths of • the | sea.
  †<sup>10</sup> O | Lord our | Governor, \* how exalted is your | Name in | all the | world!

### The Second Lesson: Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

Shreve Simpson

*Reader* A Reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere, "What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, subjecting all things under their feet."

Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

Kingsfold

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Silence is kept.

### The people stand to sing and remain standing for the Gospel **The Gradual Hymn 480:** When Jesus left his Father's throne

1 When Je-sus left his Fa-ther's throne, he chose an hum - ble birth; were his words and 2 Sweet kind his look, when mo-thers round him pressed; 3 When Je-sus in - to Zi - on rode, the chil-dren sang a - round; like us, un - hon - ored and un - known, he came to dwell on earth. their in-fants his arms he took, and his bos - om blessed. in on for joy they plucked the palms and strowed their gar-ments on the ground. Like him may we be found be - low, in wis-dom's path of peace; Safe from the world's al - lur - ing harms, be - neath his watch-ful eye, Ho glad voic - es raise, ho - san - na san - na our to our King! like him in grace and know-ledge grow as vears and strength in - crease. thus

thus in the cir - cle of his arms may we for ev - er lie. Should we for - get our Sa - vior's praise, the stones them - selves would sing.

### The Gospel

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

Some Pharisees came, and to test Jesus they asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her." But Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.'

So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate."

Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."

People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

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

The people sit.

The Sermon

The Rt. Rev. Daniel G.P. Gutiérrez, Bishop of the Diocese of PA

Silence may be kept.

### THE LITURGY OF CONFIRMATION

### The Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

### The Bishop says

The Candidates will now be presented.

Presenters	We present N. N. for Confirmation.
Presenters	We present N. N. to be Received in to this Communion.

### The Bishop asks the candidates

Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil? *Candidate* I do.

# Bishop Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?Candidate I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as my Savior and Lord.

After all have been presented, the Bishop addresses the congregation, saying

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

People We will.

The Bishop then says these or similar words

Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

### The Baptismal Covenant

- Bishop Do you believe in God the Father?
- *People* I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
- Bishop Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
- People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

- Bishop Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
  People I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
- *Bishop* Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?
- *People* I will, with God's help.
- *Bishop* Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?
- *People* I will, with God's help.
- *Bishop* Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?*People* I will, with God's help.
- Bishop Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?People I will, with God's help.
- *Bishop* Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
- *People* I will, with God's help.

### The Prayers for the Candidates

The Bishop then says to the congregation

Let us now pray for these persons who have renewed their commitment to Christ.

- *Leader* Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.
- *People* Lord, hear our prayer.
- Leader Open their hearts to your grace and truth.
- *People* Lord, hear our prayer.
- Leader Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.
- *People* Lord, hear our prayer.
- *Leader* Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.
- *People* Lord, hear our prayer.
- Leader Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.
- People Lord, hear our prayer.
- Leader Send them into the world in witness to your love.
- *People* Lord, hear our prayer.
- Leader Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.
- People Lord, hear our prayer.

Then the Bishop says

Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in these your servants the covenant you made with them at their Baptism. Send them forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

### For Confirmation

### The Bishop lays hands upon each one and says

Strengthen, O Lord, your servant N. with your Holy Spirit; empower her/him for your service; and sustain her/him all the days of her/his life. Amen.

### For Reception

*N.*, we recognize you as a member of the one holy catholic and apostolic Church, and we receive you into the fellowship of this Communion. God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep you. **Amen** 

### The Bishop concludes with this prayer

Almighty and ever-living God, let your fatherly hand ever be over these your servants; let your Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of your Word, that they may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

Standing, as able

### The Peace

*Bishop* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

### *People* And also with you.

The people greet one another with a sign of God's peace. Please be sure that your neighbor is comfortable with any physical connections before offering that kind of peace.

### **Parish Notices**

### THE HOLY COMMUNION

### The Offertory Sentence

Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts.

### The Offertory Anthem

I Was Glad

David Hurd

I was glad when they said unto me,	the thrones of the house of David.
Let us go to the house of the Lord.	Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:
Now our feet are standing within your gates,	May they prosper who love you.
O Jerusalem.	Peace be within your walls,
Jerusalem is built as a city that is at unity with itself:	and quietness within your towers.
To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord,	For my brethren and companion's sake,
the assembly of Israel,	I pray for your prosperity.
to praise the Name of the Lord.	Because of the house of the Lord our God,
For there are the thrones of judgment,	I will seek to do you goodPsalm 122

### All stand and sing

The Offertory Hymn 416: For the beauty of the Earth

Lucerna Laudoniae



### The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

- *Bishop* The Lord be with you.
- *People* And also with you.
- Bishop Lift up your hearts.
- *People* We lift them to the Lord.
- *Bishop* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- *People* It is right to give him 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 through Jesus Christ our Lord. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. 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:



Sanctus S-165

### The Bishop continues

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:

# Bishop and People

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. **Amen** 

### The Lord's Prayer

Bishop And now, as our Savior 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.

### The Breaking of the Bread

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

### The Fraction Anthem S-165



The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ has died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving. The Prayer for Spiritual Communion (for those at home or those not receiving communion)

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)

### The 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, and bread will be brought to you. If you need a gluten-free wafer or prefer a blessing, please let us know when we come to your pew.

The Communion Hymn 339: Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness Schmücke dich self, 1 Deck thy soul, with glad ness, leave the my -2 Sun, who all my life dost bright en; Light, who -3 Ie sus, Bread of Life, I pray thee, let me gloom - y haunts of come sad ness, in to the day - light's light the that dost my soul en -en; Joy, best an y glad - ly here bey thee; nev er to my hurt in -0 0 splen dor, there with thy prais - es der joy ren eth; Fount, whence all my flow eth: know be - ing thy love with vit ed, be love re quit ed;



### The people stand or kneel.

*Bishop* 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

*Bishop* The Peace that passes all understanding keep your hearts and mind in the knowledge and love of God, and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.** 

Hyfrydol

The Recessional Hymn 657: Love divine, all loves excelling





*Bishop* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.*People* Thanks be to God.

### The Postlude

Toccata Brevis

Daniel Gawthrop

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