## TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Offering Companionship along the Way

# THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST October 16, 2022

**Prelude** Improvisation on tune St. Denio

**Opening Hymn 423** Immortal, invisible, God only wise

St. Denio

#### THE WORD OF GOD

Pastor Blessed be God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen. People

Priest 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.

Gloria in excelsis: *Wonder, Love and Praise* #901 (green hymnal) Ronald Arnatt (b. 1930)

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks,

we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father:

receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High,

Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

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

Let us pray together our collect. **Pastor** 

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; 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 Prophecy of Jeremiah 31:27-34

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals. And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the LORD. In those days they shall no longer say:

"The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge."

But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of everyone who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge. The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt-- a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

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

People Thanks be to God.

**Psalm 119:97-104** *Gevert-8* 

97 Oh, how I love your law! \* all the day long it is in my mind.

- 98 Your commandment has made me wiser than my enemies, \* and it is always with me.
- 99 I have more understanding than all my teachers, \* for your decrees are my study.
- 100 I am wiser than the elders, \* because I observe your commandments.
- 101 I restrain my feet from every evil way, \* that I may keep your word.
- 102 I do not shrink from your judgments, \* because you yourself have taught me.
- 103 How sweet are your words to my taste! \* they are sweeter than honey to my mouth.
- 104 Through your commandments I gain understanding; \* therefore I hate every lying way.

## A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to Timothy 3:14-4:5

As for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for

teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

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

**People** Thanks be to God.

**Gradual Hymn 626** Lord, be thy word my rule

Quam dilecta

Gospel Acclamation WLP # 829 Laudate Dominum

Jacques Berthier, Taizé Community

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 18:1 -8

**People** Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, `Grant me justice against my opponent.' For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, `Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

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

**Sermon** The Rev. Heidi Truax

#### A time of Silent Reflection

#### 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.

## **Prayers of the People**

Father, we pray for all peoples throughout the world; **That we all may be one.** 

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; **That your Name may be glorified by all people.** 

We pray for all those in religious orders, for lay and ordained ministers, and all the holy people of God:

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

We give thanks at all times for the blessings of our lives. We lift up our thanksgivings (we leave time for people to say silently or aloud the things for which they are grateful.) Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

On our parish cycle of prayer we pray today for Fred and Sally Harris, for Carol and Bob Hoskins, for Betsy Howie and Callie Carter, and for their families;

That we may serve and love them, and one another, as Christ loves us.

Have compassion on those who suffer, especially (we read from the list and leave time for other names to be added.) We pray for all who are afflicted with any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

We pray for all those who have died, especially those who we name (we read from the list and leave time for other names to be added.) Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for all the saints, those we love in this world, and in the next; **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.** 

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 Confession

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.

#### The 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.** 

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

#### **Announcements**

Offertory Anthem "Canticorum jubilo" ("See the conquering hero comes"), Nr. 58 from Judas Maccabaeus HWV 63 by George Frideric Handel (1685-1759)

Canticorum jubilo, Regi Magno psallite. Jam resultent musica, unda tellus, sidera.

Jam resultent musica, unda tellus, sidera. Personantes organis, jubilate, plaudite. Sing with songs, sing to the Great King.

The music, the earth's waves, and the stars are now the result. Impersonating the organ, rejoice and applaud.

Doxology Hymn 380, vs. 3 Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Old 100th

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Lift up your hearts.

**People** We lift them to the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People 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 forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Holy, holy: WLP # 852

William Bradley Roberts (b. 1947)

Holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

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

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. **AMEN**.

And now as our savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

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.

**Fraction Anthem: WLP #865** Christ our Passover Thaddeus P. Cavuoti (b. 1955)

**Distribution of Holy Communion at floor level**We offer wine and grape juice, blessed

**Communion Hymn 328** Draw nigh and take the body of the Lord Song 46

## **Postcommunion Prayer**

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.

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## **Blessing**

The holy and Strong One, the merciful God, deliver you from the powers of evil, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life. And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.** 

Final Hymn 597 O day of peace that dimly shines

Jerusalem

#### The Dismissal

*Priest* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People** Thanks be to God.

**Postlude** Organ Improvisation on tune *Jerusalem* 

The Altar flowers this morning are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Ezekiel and Zoe Nesbitt by Martha Nesbitt.

## **Serving Today**

Rector: The Rev. Heidi Truax
Music Director: Christine Gevert
Minister of Communion: M. E. Freeman
Lector: Alan Swide

Epistoler: Bill Jenks
Intercessor: Diane Walters
Flowers: Tom Schindler
Counter: Martha Nesbitt
Altar Guild: Bev Becker

Greeters/Ushers: Pari Forood and Alan Swide

## **Announcements**

**Today** Noon—Vestry meeting

Sat., Oct. 22 6:00—10:00 PM —Community Party at "The Casino"

Oct. 24-26 Pastor Heidi in Washington D. C. (family visit)

Sat., Oct. 29 4:00 PM Crescendo Concert Music Across Borders

Baroque and Contemporary Eastern European Choral Works

**Sunday, Oct. 30** 4:00 PM Misa en Español—Todos Santos

5:00 PM Cena para toda la parroquia (Dinner for the whole parish)

**Nov. 4 & 5** Diocesan Convention in Hartford.

**Sunday, Nov. 6** All Saints Sunday for English-speaking congregations

**Mondays** 7:00 PM Crescendo Rehearsal

**Tuesdays** 7:00 PM Overeaters Anonymous in Walker Hall

**Wednesdays** Services at Noble Horizons, Geer Nursing, Geer Lodge

6:00 PM on first Wednesday of the month, Women's AA in Walker Hall

**Thursdays** 1:00 PM Bible Study on Zoom

Saturdays 9:00 AM till Noon—Bookkeeper, Nancy Hiller is in the office

Please remember that we are filming this service and wait to have private conversations until after you have left the nave.

#### Music Credits/Licensing

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