

The 23rd Sunday after Trinity
Give to God What Is God's
November 15, 2020
9:00 am



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To know and serve Christ by reaching out in love to all.

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Prelude

Humbly We Adore Thee

David Johnson

Gathering Hymn

Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise

LBW 526



1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
3 To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small;
4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light;



in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;
in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;
thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;



most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
we blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,
all laud we would ren - der; oh, help us to see



al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise!
thy clouds which are - foun - tains of good - ness and love!
and with - er and per - ish, but naught chang - eth thee.
'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

Confession

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleans us from all unrighteousness.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P: God who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. May Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: Amen.

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.



Introit (*Psalm 85:1, 7, 9, 11; antiphon: Jeremiah 29:11a, 12*)

**C: I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD,
plans for wholeness and not for evil.**

**Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me,
and I will hear you.**

A: LORD, you were favorable to your land;
you restored the fortunes of Jacob.

Show us your steadfast love, O LORD,
and grant us your salvation.

Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him,
that glory may dwell in our land.

Faithfulness springs up from the ground,
and righteousness looks down from the sky.

**C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD,
plans for wholeness and not for evil.**

**Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me,
and I will hear you.**

Kyrie

A In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy, mer - cy on us all. **A** 1. For the
A 2. For your

reign of God, and for peace through-out the
peo - ple here who have come to give you

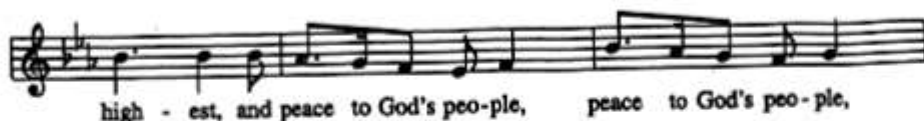
world, for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the
praise, for the strength to live your word, let us pray to the

Lord:
Lord: **C** Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

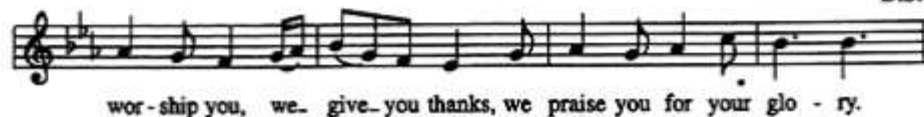
A Help, save, and de -
Lord, have mer - cy, mer - cy on us all.

fend us, O God: **C** A - men.

Hymn of Praise



Verse 1



D.S.

Verse 2



D.S.

Verse 3 37

[I] For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,—

[II] You a-lone are the Most— High, Je - sus Christ, with the

D.S. al fine

Ho - ly Spir - it, [I+II] in the glo-ry of God the Fa - ther.

Greeting and Collect

A: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

A: We pray: O Lord, absolve your people from their offenses, that from the bonds of our sins, which by reason of our frailty we have brought upon ourselves, we may be delivered by your bountiful goodness; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.



The Hebrew Scriptures (Proverbs 8:11-22)

A: A reading from Proverbs:

- ¹¹ for wisdom is better than jewels,
and all that you may desire cannot compare with her.
- ¹² “I, wisdom, dwell with prudence, and I find knowledge and discretion.
- ¹³ The fear of the LORD is hatred of evil.
Pride and arrogance and the way of evil and perverted speech I hate.
- ¹⁴ I have counsel and sound wisdom; I have insight; I have strength.
- ¹⁵ By me kings reign, and rulers decree what is just;
- ¹⁶ by me princes rule, and nobles, all who govern justly.
- ¹⁷ I love those who love me, and those who seek me diligently find me.
- ¹⁸ Riches and honor are with me, enduring wealth and righteousness.
- ¹⁹ My fruit is better than gold, even fine gold,
and my yield than choice silver.
- ²⁰ I walk in the way of righteousness, in the paths of justice,
- ²¹ granting an inheritance to those who love me, and filling their treasuries.
- ²² “The LORD possessed me at the beginning of his work,
the first of his acts of old.

A: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gradual (Psalm 44:7-8)

**C: You have saved us from our foes
and have put to shame those who hate us.
In God we have boasted continually,
and we will give thanks to your name forever.**

The Christian Scriptures (*Philippians 3:17-21*)

A: A reading from Philippians:

¹⁷ Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us. ¹⁸ For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. ¹⁹ Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. ²⁰ But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹ who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.

A: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Al-le-lu - ia! Al-le-lu - ia! Lord to whom shall we
go? You have the words of e - ter - nal
life. Al - le - lu - ia!

The Holy Gospel (Matthew 22:15-22)

A: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew:

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁵ Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle him in his words. ¹⁶ And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone's opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. ¹⁷ Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?" ¹⁸ But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹ Show me the coin for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰ And Jesus said to them, "Whose likeness and inscription is this?" ²¹ They said, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." ²² When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.

A: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.



The Nicene Creed

**C: We believe in one God,
the Father, 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.

Hymn

Our Father We Have Wandered

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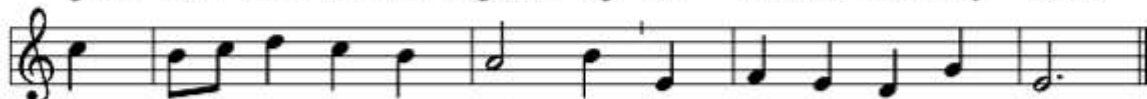
1 Our Fa - ther, we have wan - dered and hid - den from your face;
2 And now at length dis - cern - ing the e - vil that we do,
3 O Lord of all the liv - ing, both ban - ished and re - stored,



in fool - ish - ness have squan - dered your leg - a - cy of grace.
be - hold us, Lord, re - turn - ing with hope and trust to you.
com - pas - sion - ate, for - giv - ing, and ev - er - car - ing Lord,



But now, in ex - ile dwell - ing, we rise with fear and shame,
In haste you come to meet us and home re - joic - ing bring,
grant now that our trans - gress - ing, our faith - less - ness may cease.



as, dis - tant but com - pel - ling, we hear you call our name.
in glad - ness there to greet us with calf and robe and ring.
Stretch out your hand in bless - ing, in par - don, and in peace.

Sermon

Pastor Dan Skillman

Musical Offering

Announcements

Prayers of the People

A: Lord, in your mercy.

C: Hear our prayer.

Preface and Proper Preface

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to you, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify your glorious name, evermore praising you and saying:

Sanctus

C: Holy, holy, holy Lord.

God of power and might:

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest.

The Lord's Prayer

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

C: 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,

forever and ever.

Amen.

Words of Institution

P: In the night in which he was betrayed,

our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;

He broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper,

he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Pax Domini

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Agnus Dei

**C: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
grant us peace.**

Distribution

Post-Communion Blessing

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.



Post Communion Canticle **Give Thanks**

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff in a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of seven lines of music. The lyrics are: "Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One. Give thanks be-cause he's giv-en Je - sus Christ his Son. And now let the weak say I am strong; let the poor say I am rich, be-cause of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks!" The score includes first and second endings. The first ending is marked with a bracket and the number "1." above it, and the second ending is marked with a bracket and the number "2." above it. The music concludes with a double bar line and repeat dots.

Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give
thanks to the Ho - ly One. Give thanks be-cause he's
giv-en Je - sus Christ his Son.
And now let the weak say *I am*
strong; let the poor say *I am rich*, be-cause of
what the Lord has done for us.
us. Give thanks!

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.

C: Amen.

Hymn

Lord Dismiss Us With Your Blessing

LBW 259



1 Lord, dis - miss us with your bless - ing, Fill our hearts with
2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion For your Gos - pel's
3 Sav - ior, when your love shall call us From our strug - gling



joy and peace; Let us each, your love pos - sess - ing,
joy - ful sound. May the fruits of your sal - va - tion
pil - grim way, Let no fear of death ap - pall us,



Tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. Oh, re - fresh us;
In our hearts and lives a - bound. Ev - er faith - ful,
Glad your sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,



oh, re - fresh us, Trav - 'ling through this wil - der - ness.
ev - er faith - ful To your truth may we be found.
may we ev - er Reign with you in end - less day.

Dismissal

A: Go in peace. Share the good news.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Fugue in D Minor

J.S. Bach

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NEXT SUNDAY SERVICES

November 22, 2020

9:00 am "Drive In"

11:00 am "In Building"

The Last Sunday of the Church Year

The Parable of the Ten Virgins

READINGS

Matthew 25:1-13 (Isaiah 65:17-25, 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11)

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