

THE TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

NOVEMBER 17, 2024 | 5:00 PM | THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

Holy Eucharist in the Celtic Tradition

This liturgy is adapted from "A Celtic Liturgy for Every Season" by Elizabeth Grover.

PRELUDE

HOLY MANNA

The people's response is in bold.

OPENING WORDS

The God of love is with us.

The Spirit of love is in us.

Blessed is the Holy Spirit, the breath of God.

Let the winds and all creation praise you.

THE LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

We will light a light in the name of our Creator -

God who moved over the face of the waters.

We will light a light in the name of our Redeemer -

Jesus who was baptized in the water of the Jordan.

We will light a light in the name of our Inspiration -

The Holy One who cleanses and refreshes us as the cool spring water.

OPENING PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty and eternal God, to you our hearts are open and our inmost desires known. We cannot hide our most intimate secrets from you. Be present at all times in our thoughts and hearts and purify them with your Holy Spirit, so that we may love you with the love of the Spirit and praise your name with humility and joy; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Let us praise the God of all things.

How wonderful, O Lord, are the works of your hands!

The heavens declare your glory.

In your love you have given us power,

Power to behold the beauty of your world in all its splendor.

The sun and the stars, the valleys and the hills,

The rivers and lakes all reveal your presence.

The roaring breakers of the sea tell of your awesome might.

The gentle babble of a brook celebrates the comfort of your love.

The waters of baptism mark our covenant with you.

Glory to our life-giving God!

May we give thanks for all his works, praise him in all we do,

and share his love with the communion of saints.

FIRST LESSON

DANIEL 12:1-3

The Lord spoke to Daniel in a vision and said, “At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE RESPONSE

Stars

By Mary Oliver

Here in my head, language
keeps making its tiny noises.
How can I hope to be friends
with the hard white stars
whose flaring and hissing are not speech
but pure radiance?

How can I hope to be friends
with the yawning spaces between them
where nothing, ever is spoken?
Tonight, at the edge of the field,
I stood very still, and looked up,
and tried to be empty of words.
What joy was it, that almost found me?
What amiable peace?...

Once, deep in the woods,

I found the white skull of a bear
and it was utterly silent-
and once a river otter, in a steel trap,
and it too was utterly silent.

What can we do
but keep on breathing in and out,
modest and willing, and in our places?
Listen, listen, I'm forever saying.

Listen to the river, to the hawk, to the hoof,
to the mockingbird, to the jack-in-the-pulpit-
then I come up with a few words, like a gift.
Even as now.

Even as the darkness has remains the pure, deep darkness.
Even as the stars have twirled a little, while I stood here,
looking up,
one hot sentence after another.

GOSPEL SONG

Only sung when a musician is present.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. The

Word of the Lord lasts for ev - er. What is the Word that is liv - ing? It is

brought to us - through his Son Je - sus Christ.

The musical score is written on four staves in G major and 6/8 time. The melody is simple and repetitive, with lyrics written below the notes. The first line is 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!'. The second line is 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. The'. The third line is 'Word of the Lord lasts for ev - er. What is the Word that is liv - ing? It is'. The fourth line is 'brought to us - through his Son Je - sus Christ.' The score ends with a double bar line.

THE GOSPEL

MARK 13:1-8

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As Jesus came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!” Then Jesus asked him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.”

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, “Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?” Then Jesus began to say to them, “Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birthpangs.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE HOMILY

There will be a pause for silent reflection immediately following the homily.

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Let us stand and, like the saints before us, reaffirm our baptismal covenant.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

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.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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.

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

I will, with God's help.

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

I will, with God's help.

Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

I will, with God's help.

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

I will, with God's help.

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

I will, with God's help.

May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant

We pray now for the needs of all people throughout the world, remembering that, following the example of the saints before us, we are God's hands in the world. Let us pray.

We pray for the world and for the leaders of the nations,

That, like the saints, they may be bold in their search for peace and justice.

We pray for the Church and for its leaders and people,

That we may be ever ready to share the Gospel and to serve our neighbors.

We pray for all of us gathered here in worship together,

That we may recognize each other as saints of God and keepers of the faith.

We pray for the earth and its generous bounty, and for our stewardship of its resources,
That we may have the courage to change our lives in order to ensure its future.

We pray for those who suffer from famine, poverty, persecution, danger, loneliness, or grief,
That they may know the certainty of your love and find comfort in you.

We pray for those who are sick, injured or in pain,
That those who minister to them may help ease their burden through God's love.

We pray for all who have died and are with the communion of saints,
That all may be one with you, and that all the saints may be witnesses of your eternal glory.

Celebrant

Loving God, hear our prayers on behalf of all those in need. In your great mercy, comfort them and bring them hope. For you alone know our needs, and you alone can be our refuge in the time of trouble. We pray through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

SHARING THE PEACE

God makes peace within us.

Let us claim it.

God makes peace between us.

Let us share it.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY

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<https://redeemercincy.tpsdb.com/Give/offering> *There are also two collection spots in the narthex (look for the Give Here signs) where you may deposit your offering safely.*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

We offer you praise and hearts lifted high, O God, by whose Word the heavens were formed and the earth was brought forth from the waters. The reflection of your glory shines in each created thing. And though earth's flowering fades, you plant within us imperishable seeds for our salvation and call life out of death into the light that endures forever. And so with heaven and earth's host of light, with the sainted women and men of every nation, and with those who now live in the Spirit, we join in the song of your unending greatness:

Celebrant and People

Spoken unless a musician is present.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, heav'n and earth are filled with your glo - ry, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est

Blessed are you, O God, for the great day of salvation prepared from the beginning of the world, when Christ, though rejected on earth, will be seen by all to be chosen and precious in your sight. We bless you for Christ who carried sin's destructive powers to the cross that all people might be set free. Through Christ you inspire in us the hope that earth's forces of darkness will be scattered, and angels of glory and principalities of light will bring a new heaven and a new earth.

Just as the prophets of Israel had spoken of the sufferings that would be His, so Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and having blessed it, He broke the bread, and gave it to his disciples, saying: "Take, eat; this is my body which is broken for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way he took wine, and having given thanks for it, he gave the cup to his disciples, saying: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Celebrant and people

Remembering his eternal self-giving, we proclaim the mystery of Christ among us. Made one with him and one with each other, we offer these gifts and with them ourselves, a single, holy living sacrifice

Sanctify us with your Holy Spirit, O God, and sanctify this bread and this wine, that they may be the body and blood of Jesus Christ, and through them we may be made stronger again with the strength that only you supply. May our inner selves be nourished that in the outward things of life we may follow the way of Christ and grow more and more into salvation; through Christ, by whom, with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty God, world without end. **AMEN.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now say,
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

The Bread of heaven is broken for the life of the world.
The Cup of love is shared with all who seek God. Amen.

THE SHARING OF A HOLY MEAL

COMMUNION MUSIC

CLOSING PRAYER

Let us pray.
O God, in love you have called us to be your people and in love you have given us this bread and wine; may this holy meal refresh us as a gentle cool spring water, that renewed in your Holy Spirit, we may go forth into the world to serve your people; in the name of God, who is Love. Amen.

Lord of all light, as we go forth into the world, we extinguish the lights that here represent the presence of the Holy in our midst.

But we will carry the light in our hearts and we pray that as we go about our work in the world, we will shine with the love of God. Amen.

CELTIC BENECTION

Spoken unless a musician is present.



May the road rise to meet you, and the wind be at your back; May the



rains fall soft up - on your fields, and the sun shine warm on your face. And un -



til we meet a - gain, may you rest in Love's em - brace.

THE BLESSING

Let us now go forth with the grace of God,
the gentleness of Jesus,
the comfort of the Holy Spirit,
the courage of the saints,
and the songs of angels in our hearts.

And the blessing of God almighty, Creator, Christ,
and Holy Spirit be with you now and for ever. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

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'All who hunger ...'

Holy Manna



1. All who hun - ger gath - er glad - ly; ho - ly man - na
2. All who hun - ger, nev - er stran - gers, seek - er, be a
3. All who hun - ger, sing to geth - er, Je - sus Christ is



is our bread. Come from wil - der - ness and wan - d'ring. —
wel - come guest! Come from rest - less - ness and roam - ing. —
liv - ing bread. Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing. —



Here in truth we will be fed. You that yearn for
Here, in joy we keep the feast. We that once were
Here, in peace, we have been fed. Blest are those who



days of full - ness, all a - round us is our food.
lost and scat - tered in com - mun - ion's love have stood.
from this ta - ble live their days in grat - i - tude.



Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that
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Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that



God is good.
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THE DISMISSAL

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

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

Celebrant & Preacher The Rev. Philip DeVaul
Lector Peter Merten
Lay Reader Edward Ewbank
Intercessor
Celtic Guild Betsy & Brian Babb
Bread Guild Pattie Kovach
Altar Guild Amanda Rasche, Kathe Kissel, Brian Weinewuth
Flower Guild..... Blake Gustafson, Denise Beauchamp, Michelle Kirk, Francie Morrison

IN THANKSGIVING & MEMORY

The flowers that beautify our worship spaces are given to the glory of God
in loving memory of George M. Callard by Linda, Paul, George D., David, Will, & Susie.

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(Search Redeemer Cincy in your app store.) Or you may choose to give online via our secure online system located
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VISION STATEMENT

We have a vision of a worshipping community
that **knows Jesus and grows in love:**

- **United** in relationships of holy connection and communion;
- **Growing** with people of every age, race, gender, sexual orientation, socioeconomic situation, and political persuasion;
- **Inspired** by our understanding of why we are Christian, why we are Episcopalian, why Redeemer matters to us;
- **Sent** into the world, rooted and grounded in love, to serve all people with humility, compassion, and faithfulness.

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