The Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost Proper 28

St. John's Episcopal Church, Ithaca NY 13 November, 2022 Year C

10:30 AM

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Prelude Chant de nuit

Edward Elgar (1857-1934)

*Processional Hymn When morning gilds the skies (Laudes Domini)

Hymnal #427

*Opening Acclamation

BCP 355

*Collect For Purity

*Gloria Hymnal #S-279

The Collect of the Day

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*

The First Lesson Isaiah 65:17-25

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth;

the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind.

But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating;

for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight.

I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people;

no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress.

No more shall there be in it

an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime;

for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.

They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat;

for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity;

for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord--

and their descendants as well.

Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear.

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The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent-- its food shall be dust!

They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 98 Cantate Domino

1 Sing to the Lord a new song, * for he has done marvelous things.

2 With his right hand and his holy arm

has he won for himself the victory.

- 3 The Lord has made known his victory; *
 his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.
- 4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, *
 and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
- 5 Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; * lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

- 6 Sing to the Lord with the harp, * with the harp and the voice of song.
- 7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn * shout with joy before the King, the Lord.
- 8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *
 the lands and those who dwell therein.
- 9 Let the rivers clap their hands, * and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord, when he comes to judge the earth.
- 10 In righteousness shall he judge the world * and the peoples with equity.

The Epistle

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

The Gospel Luke 21:5-19

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down."

They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them.

"When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

"But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls."

The Sermon Matthew Sanaker

*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.

The Prayers of the People

May God, who created us in the Divine Image, free our wills to pray in faith, as we respond to each petition, "Help us choose life."

+ Eternal Presence, be with those suffering from childhood diseases and crippling illnesses, give them opportunities for a rich and satisfying life; Lord, in your mercy, Help us choose life.

God of all thankfulness, fill our hearts with gratitude for all the blessings we have received, and give us determination to live lives of generosity, reflecting your joy in giving; Lord, in your mercy, Help us choose life.

+ Risen Christ, touch our lips, that we may speak your word in our daily lives, sharing with others the many ways in which you have brought us out of darkness and led us into the marvelous light of hope; Lord, in your mercy,

Help us choose life.

- + Creator of life, thank you for the beautiful earth, sky, and sea that you have placed in our care, so that in guarding its fragility we may bestow its beauty to future generations; Lord, in your mercy, Help us choose life.
- + Holy Comforter, be present with our soldiers and military personnel; may they secure peace and security in foreign lands, witness to the value of a democratic society, respect the cultures in which they serve, and return to family and friends in safety and good health; Lord, in your mercy Help us choose life.
- + God of the living and the dead, be present with those who have died in Christ, and who now live with him in eternal glory, especially Grant Kinney; Lord, in your mercy, Help us choose life.
- + Jesus, head of the Church, be with those dioceses who will meet in convention these next few months; may their deliberations be made in the context of your word and wisdom, seeking the good of their diocese and of the whole Church; Lord, in your mercy, Help us choose life.

We continue our prayers in the company of the catholic and universal Church of which we are a part.

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For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, and especially for

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Theodore	Sara	Cece	Emily
Carol	Linda	Lorraine	Mary
Lorraine	Jonathan	Charlie	Sue
John	Park	Kathryn	Deborah
Loraine	Mark	Richard	Theresa
Edith	Debra	Katie	Jan
Stanley	Shirley	Jason	Linda
Dave	Janice	Michele	Jack
Joan	Anne	Cale	Julianne

For those celebrating the anniversary of their birth this week: David Blanton, Aaron Wagner, Lynne Saulsbury, Susan Backstrom, Benjamin Wagner, Christine Whaley, Deborah Youngling, Jennie Graham, Robert Saulsbury, Jr, Kincade Bunch

Confession Of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

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

Please remain in your pew. Wave!

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Announcements & Welcome

Offertory Sentence

Organ Interlude "Rest in the Lord" from *Elijah*

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

*Presentation Hymn Awake, O sleeper (Marsh Chapel)

Hymnal #547

*The Great Thanksgiving

Expanded Language Prayer A

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.People: And also with youCelebrant: Lift up your hearts

People: We lift them to the Lord

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **People:** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant: *continuing*: 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, holy (Sanctus)

Hymnal #S-125

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had fallen into sin and became 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 maker of all.

Jesus 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 Savior 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, Jesus 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:

Christ has died Christ is risen Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's 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 Christ.

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 Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Fraction Anthem Lamb of God (Agnus Dei)

Hymnal #S-161

The Communion of the People

All people are invited to the Lord's Table.

Eucharist will be distributed in the center aisle. Please come forward in a single line to receive. You may either intinct your wafer in the small chalice, or you may drink from the larger common chalice after consuming the wafer.

> Please replace your mask after receiving the sacrament. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

Post Communion Prayer

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.

Blessing

*Recessional God of grace and God of glory (Cam Rhondda)

Hymnal #594

Dismissal

Postlude Postlude on Laudes Domini

Mark Radice (b.1951)

Liturgical Ministers: Ceril Sandstrom, Matthew Stedinger, Margaret Coleman

Virtual Vergers Virginia McGhee, Amber Massa

This morning we welcome guest Organist Mark A. Radice

The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God in memory of Audrey Vault by Mary Arlin. The Eucharistic and Aumbry candles this month are Given to the Glory of God in memory of Patricia and Walter Talbott by Pamela Talbott.

St. John's extends a warm welcome to visitors!

May you experience the Lord's presence during worship. Please fill out a visitor card and place it in the offering plate and stay for coffee in the parish hall after the service.

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When morning gilds the skies (*Laudes Domini*) Hymnal #427

- 1 When morning gilds the skies, my heart, awaking, cries, may Jesus Christ be praised! When evening shadows fall, this rings my curfew call, may Jesus Christ be praised!
- 2 When mirth for music longs, this is my song of songs: may Jesus Christ be praised! God's holy house of prayer hath none that can compare with: Jesus Christ be praised!
- 3 No lovelier antiphon in all high heaven is known than, Jesus Christ be praised! There to the eternal Word the eternal psalm is heard: may Jesus Christ be praised!
- 4 Ye nations of mankind, in this your concord find: may Jesus Christ be praised! Let all the earth around ring joyous with the sound: may Jesus Christ be praised!
- 5 Sing, suns and stars of space, sing, ye that see his face, sing, Jesus Christ be praised! God's whole creation o'er, both now and evermore shall Jesus Christ be praised!

Awake, O sleeper (Marsh Chapel) Hymnal #547

- 1 Awake, O sleeper, rise from death, and Christ shall give you light, so learn his love its length and breadth, its fulness, depth, and height.
- 2 To us on earth he came to bring from sin and fear release to give the Spirit's unity, the very bond of peace.

- 3 There is one Body and one hope, one Spirit and one call, one Lord, one Faith, and one Baptism, one Father of us all.
- 4 Then walk in love as Christ has loved, who died that he might save; with kind and gentle hearts forgive as God in Christ forgave.
- 5 For us in Christ lived, for us he died and conquered in the strife. Awake, arise, go forth in faith, and Christ shall give you life.

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God of grace and God of glory (*Cum Rhondda*) Hymnal # 594

- 1 God of grace and God of glory, on thy people pour thy power; crown thine ancient Church's story; bring her bud to glorious flower. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour.
- 2 Lo! the hosts of evil round us scorn thy Christ, assail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise: grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of these days, for the living of these days.
- 3 Cure thy children's warring madness, bend our pride to thy control; shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul.

 Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss thy kingdom's goal, lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.
- 4 Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore; let the gift of thy salvation be our glory evermore.

 Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving thee whom we adore, serving thee whom we adore



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Sign up for our weekly newsletter The Fledgling by contacting the church office.

Please Join Us:

Coffee Hour has resumed in the Parish Hall following the service. Please continue to wear your mask when you are not actively eating or drinking.

Morning Prayer Monday – Thursday at 9:30 on Facebook and YouTube.

Forward Day by Day for November, December, and January is available on the table in the rear of the church.

Flowers: If you wish to give Sunday flowers in memory of a loved one, please call the church office (607-273-6532).