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THE WORD OF GOD

Entrance Rite

Voluntary

G. F. Handel/arr. Michael Burkhardt

Andante, from Organ Concerto in G Major/minor, Op. 4, No. 1, Mvt. 4

Entrance Hymn

God of the prophets, bless the prophets' heirs

Hymnal 1982 – 359

Toulon

1 God of the prophets, bless the prophets' heirs!

Elijah's mantle o'er Elisha cast:

each age for thine own solemn task prepares,
make each one stronger, nobler than the last.

2 Anoint them prophets! Teach them thine intent:

to human need their quickened hearts awake;
fill them with power, their lips make eloquent
for righteousness that shall all evil break.

3 Anoint them priests! help them to intercede
with all thy royal priesthood born of grace;
through them thy Church presents in word and deed
Christ's one true sacrifice with thankful praise.

4 Anoint them kings! Yea, kingly kings, O Lord!
Anoint them with the Spirit of thy Son:
theirs not a monarch's crown or tyrant's sword;
theirs by the love of Christ a kingdom won.

5 Make them apostles, heralds of thy cross;
forth may they go to tell all realms thy grace:
inspired of thee, may they count all but loss,
and stand at last with joy before thy face.

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Opening Acclamation

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The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Collect for Purity

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All: **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.**

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

The First Reading: Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

The people sit.

A Reading from the Book of Numbers.

The rabble among them had a strong craving; and the Israelites also wept again, and said, “If only we had meat to eat! We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at.”

Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances of their tents. Then the Lord became very angry, and Moses was displeased. So Moses said to the Lord, “Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should say to me, ‘Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child,’ to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors? Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, ‘Give us meat to eat!’ I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once—if I have found favor in your sight—and do not let me see my misery.”

So the Lord said to Moses, “Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you.”

So Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit

that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again.

Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.” And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, “My lord Moses, stop them!” But Moses said to him, “Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord’s people were prophets, and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!”

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Silence may follow.

Psalm 19:7-14

Remain seated. The Choir will introduce the Antiphon first. The congregation then joins in singing the Antiphon each time.

Antiphon

The com - mand-ment of the Lord gives light to the eyes.

- 7 The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; *
the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.
- 8 The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; *
the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes.
- 9 The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; *
the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

10 More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, *
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb. **Antiphon**

11 By them also is your servant enlightened, *
and in keeping them there is great reward.

12 Who can tell how often he offends? *
cleanse me from my secret faults.

13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get
dominion over me; *
then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.

14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in
your sight, *
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer. **Antiphon**

The Second Reading: James 5:13-20

Remain seated.

A Reading from the Letter of James.

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner

from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn

All stand.

Hymnal 1982 – 635

If thou but trust in God to guide thee

Wer nur den lieben Gott

1 If thou but trust in God to guide thee,
and hope in him through all thy ways,
he'll give thee strength whate'er betide thee,
and bear thee through the evil days.

Who trusts in God's unchanging love builds on a rock that nought can move.

2 Sing, pray, and keep his ways unswerving; so do thine own part faithfully,
and trust his word, though undeserving; thou yet shalt find it true for thee;
God never yet forsook in need the soul that trusted him indeed.

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The Gospel

All remain standing.

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

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

Mark 9:38-50

John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly

I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

“If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

“For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.”

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon

The Reverend Nancy L.J. Cox

The Nicene Creed

All stand.

**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

All remain standing.

From Praying the Scriptures, by Jeremiah D. Williamson

Intercessor: My brothers and sisters, the prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Believing in the power of prayer, let us pray to the Lord, saying, “God our help; *receive our prayer.*”

Give to your Church, O God, the vision to see you at work in the world. Forgive us when we try to limit or control you. May we rejoice in all good and celebrate all loving deeds. *Silence.*

God our help;

People: **Receive our prayer.**

Intercessor: O God, we declare your Almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: comfort all those around the globe who know the devastation of war and the threat of annihilation. We pray for peace. *Silence.*

God our help;

People: **Receive our prayer.**

Intercessor: We thank you, O God, that you have provided us with those things that make our lives better – fire for heat, salt for seasoning. We thank you for all of the good gifts we so easily take for granted.

The people are invited to add their thanksgivings, followed by silence.

God our help;

People: **Receive our prayer.**

Intercessor: We pray, O God, for all those with whom we share this city. Bring people together. Enable healthy relationships. Help us to be at peace with one another. *Silence.*

God our help;

People: **Receive our prayer.**

Intercessor: Blessed God, as you command us, we pray for those in need of healing and wholeness. Turn their sorrow into gladness and their mourning into holiday. Lord, raise them up in Jesus' name. *The people are invited to add their petitions, followed by silence.*

God our help;

People: **Receive our prayer.**

Intercessor: Almighty God, were you not on our side, we would be without hope. But you are our salvation. Grant us entrance into your heavenly kingdom; may we become partakers of your heavenly treasure. *Silence.*

God our help;

People: **Receive our prayer.**

Silence.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

Confession of Sin

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The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *Silence may be kept.*

Minister and People

**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 Priest stands and says

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

BCP p. 360

All stand

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

People: **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence

BCP p. 376

The Celebrant says

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High. *Psalm 50:14*

Offertory Anthem

John Rutter

God be in my head

God be in my head And in my understanding;

God be in mine eyes And in my looking;

God be in my mouth And in my speaking;

God be in my heart And in my thinking;
God be at mine end And at my departing

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Presentation of Gifts

Celebrant: All things come of thee, O Lord.

People: **And of thine own have we given thee.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Sursum Corda

BCP p. 361

The People remain standing.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: 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 him thanks and praise.**

Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds.

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 for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

Hymnal 1982–S 128

Celebrant and People

William Mathias

**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.

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The People stand or kneel.

The Celebrant 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:

Memorial Acclamation

Hymnal 1982–S 135

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

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.

The Great Amen

Hymnal 1982–S146

The Lord's Prayer

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And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

**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

Fraction Anthem

Hymnal 1982–S 169

My flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed, says the Lord.

My flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed, says the Lord.

Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood dwell in me, and I in them.

My flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed, says the Lord.

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Invitation

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Spiritual Communion Prayer

The Celebrant offers a prayer for those joining online to be unified in Communion with Christ.

Celebrant: In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. And since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus,

and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. **Amen.**

Communion Hymns

Lift Every Voice & Sing 1982 – 178

Sweet hour of prayer

1 Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer,
That calls me from a world of care,
And bids me at my Father's throne Make all my wants and wishes known.
In seasons of distress and grief My soul has often found relief.
And oft escaped the tempter's snare By thy return, sweet hour of prayer.

2 Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer,
Thy wings shall my petition bear
To Him whose truth and faithfulness Engage the waiting soul to bless;
And since He bids me seek His face, Believe His word and trust His grace.
I'll cast on Him my ev'ry care, And wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer.

3 Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, May I thy consolation share,
Till from Mount Pisgah's lofty height I view my home and take my flight:
This robe of flesh I'll drop, and rise To seize the everlasting prize.
And shout, while passing through the air,
"Farewell, farewell, sweet hour of prayer!"

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Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless

Hymnal 1982 – 343

St. Agnes

1 Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless thy chosen pilgrim flock
with manna in the wilderness, with water from the rock.

2 We would not live by bread alone, but by thy word of grace,
in strength of which we travel on to our abiding-place.

3 Be known to us in breaking bread, and do not then depart;
Savior, abide with us, and spread thy table in our heart.

4 Lord, sup with us in love divine thy Body and thy Blood,
that living bread, that heavenly wine, be our immortal food.

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The Post-Communion Prayer

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After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

**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

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Announcements

Closing Hymn

Hymnal 1982 – 545

Lo! What a cloud of witnesses

St. Fulbert

1 Lo! what a cloud of witnesses encompass us around!
They, once like us with suffering tried, are now with glory crowned.

2 Let us, with zeal like theirs inspired, strive in the Christian race;
and, freed from every weight of sin, their holy footsteps trace.

3 Behold a Witness nobler still, who trod affliction's path:
Jesus, the author, finisher, rewarder of our faith.

4 He, for the joy before him set, and moved by pitying love,
endured the cross, despised the shame, and now he reigns above.

5 Thither, forgetting things behind, press we to God's right hand;
there, with the Savior and his saints, triumphantly to stand.

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Dismissal

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Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Voluntary

John S. Dixon

Recessional in C

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Note on Today's Readings | *Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost* – Year B

Welcome to All Saints' Episcopal Church. In today's Gospel reading, the disciples complain about someone (who was not part of their group) casting out demons in Jesus' name. Jesus' response is that the man should not be stopped, for "whoever is not against us is for us." The importance of the ministry of every person, rather than just the ministry of disciples or clergy or church members, is so great, that to despise other ministries is to risk personal disaster. If pride in our own ministry is getting in the way, cut off that pride.

In the first reading, Moses complains to God about the burden of being the sole leader of the Israelites. God has Moses call together seventy of the leaders and gives them a share of the Spirit. Two of those chosen had not come to the meeting, and yet they also received the Spirit. When some complain about those two, Moses upholds the value of their ministry as well.

We continue to read from the Letter of James for our second lesson. Here James gives some pastoral advice to the elders (the Greek word is "presbyters," the origin of the term "priest" in the Christian church). The leaders are to minister to the sick, anointing them with laying on of hands and prayer. James reminds us that the prayers of faithful people are the source of God's power.

Our ordained leaders are not the sole ministers of Christ; rather, they model the ministry we are all to perform. In our baptism, we are set apart as ministers of Christ who share in his royal priesthood. It is in that ministry, especially to the poor, oppressed, and dying, that we find God present to us in the lives of those for whom we care. Our ministry is expressed in our liturgical actions, and the Eucharist is the model for our daily living and for the nature of God's Kingdom.

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