

An Ancient-Future Faith Community

Liturgy

October 14, 2018 (Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost)

GATHERING

Gloria Patri

Cantor (solo):

Lord, open our lips, and our mouths shall proclaim your praise.

All:

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever,
Forever. Amen, amen, amen.

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O LORD, You have been our dwelling place in all generations.

**Before the mountains were brought forth,
or You had formed the earth and the world,
from everlasting to everlasting You are God.**

You who seek the LORD, praise Him.

All you, His people, glorify Him and stand in awe.

**In the midst of the assembly we will praise You;
we will fulfill our vows before those who fear You.**

How blessed are those who dwell in Your house!

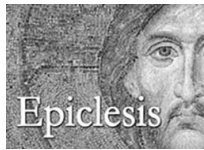
They are ever praising You.

**How blessed are those whose strength is in You,
in whose hearts are the highways to Zion!**

How blessed are those whom You choose and bring near to You,
to dwell in Your courts.

**We will abide in Your tabernacle forever;
we will trust in the shelter of Your wings.
For You, O God, have heard our vows;
You have given us the heritage of those who fear Your name.**

— Scripture weaving from Psalms 90, 22, 84, 65, 61



Great Is The Lord

Verse:

Great is the Lord, He is holy and just;
By His power we trust in His love.
Great is the Lord, He is faithful and true,
By His mercy He proves He is love.

Chorus 1

Great is the Lord, and worthy of glory.
Great is the Lord, and worthy of praise.
Great is the Lord, now lift up your voice;
Now lift up your voice –
Great is the Lord. Great is the Lord!

Chorus 2

Great are You, Lord, and worthy of glory.
Great are You, Lord, and worthy of praise.
Great are You, Lord, I lift up my voice;
I lift up my voice –
Great are You, Lord. Great are You, Lord!

Great are You, Lord. Great are You, Lord.
Great are You --- Lord!

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PRAYERS OF ADORATION, INVOCATION AND THANKS

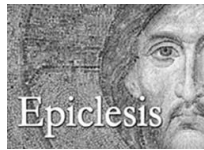
Calling on our Father God, in the Name of Jesus, inspired by the Spirit

Blessed Assurance

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

Refrain:

This is my story, this is my song:
Praising my Savior, all the day long;



This is my story, this is my song:
Praising my Savior, all the day long.

Perfect submission, all is at rest;
I in my Savior am happy and blessed;
Watching and waiting, looking above,
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

Refrain

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PROFESSION OF FAITH

Let us together profess the faith of the church of all ages in the words
of this creed of the ancient church:

**We believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.**

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
begotten from the Father before all ages,
*God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made; of the same essence as the Father.*

Through Him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven;
He became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,
and was made human.

*He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate;
He suffered and was buried.*

The third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures.

He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
*He will come again with glory to judge the living and the dead.
His kingdom will never end.*

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life.

He proceeds from the Father, and with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified. He spoke through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We affirm one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look forward to the resurrection of the dead,
and to life in the world to come. Amen.**

– Nicene Creed



PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens,
Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession.

*For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our
weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as we are,
yet without sin.*

Let us therefore come boldly before the throne of grace,
that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

— Hebrews 4:14-16

[Silence]

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 are truly sorry and we humbly repent.**

Eternal Light, **shine into our hearts.**

Eternal Goodness, **deliver us from evil.**

Eternal Power, **be our strength and support.**

Eternal Wisdom, **scatter the darkness of our ignorance.**

Eternal Compassion, **have mercy upon us.**

[Silence]

For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, **forgive us and renew us.
Grant that we may ever seek Your face with all our heart, soul, and
strength. And in Your infinite mercy bring us at last to the fullness
of Your presence where we shall behold Your glory and live Your
promised joys. Amen.**

—from a prayer of Alcuin of Tours, 8th C., alt.

O Lord, Hear My Prayer

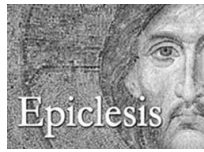
O Lord hear my prayer, O Lord hear my prayer,
When I call answer me.

O Lord hear my prayer, O Lord hear my prayer,
Come and listen to me.

The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise;
All my hope comes from God.

The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise;
God, the well-spring of life.

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ASSURANCE OF PARDON

This is good news indeed:

Almighty God has rescued us from the dominion of darkness
and brought us into the kingdom of His beloved Son,
in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

*And God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our
hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the
face of Jesus Christ.*

– Colossians 1:13-14, 2 Corinthians 4:6

Thanks be to God!

TIME OF OFFERING

Words and prayers of thanksgiving and praise

Be Thou My Vision

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart.
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art.
Thou my best thought in the day and the night;
Both waking and sleeping, Thy presence my light.

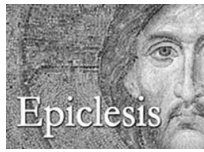
Be Thou my wisdom, be Thou my true word.
Thou ever with me and I with Thee, Lord.
Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son;
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Be Thou my breastplate, my sword for my fight,
Thou my whole armor, and Thou my true might.
Thou my soul's shelter, be Thou my strong tower.
O raise Thou me heavenward, great Power of my power.

Riches I need not, nor man's empty praise;
Thou mine inheritance now and always.
Thou and Thou only, the first in my heart,
O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

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Ancient Irish Hymn (SLANE); trans. Mary Byrne, 1905; versified by Eleanor Hull, 1912.



THE WORD

Mark 10:17-31

THE TABLE

Remembering the Body of Christ



The Lord be with you! **And also with you!**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again!

The Lord's Prayer (sung)

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your Name.
Your kingdom come, Your will be done
On earth as in heav'n.
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.

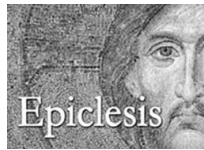
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Jesus, There's No One Like You

There is no song we could sing
To honor the weight of Your glory.
There are no words we could speak
To capture the depth of Your beauty.

Chorus:

Jesus, there's no one like You;
Jesus, we love You, ever adore You.
There's no one like You;
Jesus, we love You, ever adore You, Lord.



There is no sinner beyond
The infinite stretch of Your mercy.
How can we thank You enough
For how You have loved us completely?

Chorus

Bridge

All we have, all we need, all we want is You.

Chorus

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I Surrender All

All to Jesus I surrender, all to Him I freely give;
I will ever love and trust Him, in His presence daily live.

Chorus:

I surrender all, I surrender all;
All to Thee, my blessed Savior, I surrender all.

All to Jesus I surrender, humbly at His feet I bow;
Worldly pleasures all forsaken, take me Jesus, take me now.

All to Jesus I surrender, Lord, I give myself to Thee;
Fill me with Thy love and power, let Thy blessing fall on me.

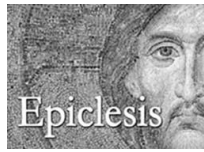
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SENDING FORTH

The Life of the Body

Be Thou My Vision (verse 5)

High King of heaven, Thou heaven's bright sun;
Grant me its joys e'er the victory is won.
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O ruler of all.



Benediction:

The keeping of God and the Lord on you;
the keeping of Christ always on you;
the keeping of the life-giving Spirit, everlasting, be yours.

Amen!

And may Almighty God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit –
bless you, now and forever, as you go forth into the world
to love and serve the Lord,
faithfully manifesting His goodness, power, glory,
and Kingdom blessing in the world around you.

Amen. Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

A thought about worship from the Ancient Fathers –

“What youth don't believe, Christ helps them understand so that they can believe God's Son is not a good master, but the good God. For if whoever glorifies the ‘One God’ also fully glorifies the Son of God, how can the Only-begotten Son not have God's goodness when only God is good? . . . So then, with divinely inspired comprehension our Lord didn't say, ‘There is none good but the Father alone,’ but ‘There is none good but God alone.’ For the proper name for one who produces children is ‘Father.’ But God's unity by no means excludes the Godhead of each of the three Persons. Therefore, it is His nature that is worshiped. Goodness is from God's nature and the Son of God exists in the nature of God. Therefore, goodness doesn't express just one Person, but the complete unity of the Godhead. The Lord, then, doesn't deny His goodness, but rebukes the disciple who doubts His deity. When the scribe said, ‘Good Master,’ the Lord answered, ‘Why callest thou Me good?’ He is saying there, ‘It isn't enough to call someone good who you don't believe is God. I don't want such people to be My disciples—people who consider My manhood and see Me as a good master, rather than look to My Deity and believe that I am the good God.’”

– Ambrose

Lectionary for next week: Job 38:1-7, 34-41; Psalm 104:1-9, 24:35c; Isaiah 53:4-12;
Psalm 91:9-16; Hebrews 5:1-10; Mark 10:35-45

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