

An Ancient-Future Faith Community

Liturgy

July 2, 2017 (Fourth Sunday after Pentecost)

GATHERING

Ancient of Days

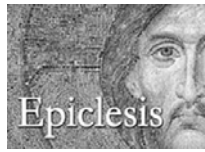
Blessing and honor, glory and power, be unto the Ancient of Days.
From ev'ry nation, all of creation, bow before the Ancient of Days.
Ev'ry tongue in heaven and earth shall declare Your glory,
Ev'ry knee shall bow at Your throne in worship;
You will be exalted, O God,
And Your kingdom shall not pass away, O Ancient of Days.

Your kingdom shall reign over all the earth;
Sing unto the Ancient of Days.
For none can compare to Your matchless worth;
Sing unto the Ancient of Days.

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Ancient of Days, William Blake, 1794



Shout joyfully to God, all the earth:

Sing the glory of His name; make His praise glorious!

I will sing of Your steadfast love, O LORD, forever!

With my mouth I will proclaim Your faithfulness to all generations!

We declare that Your steadfast love is established forever.

Your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.

All Your works praise you, O LORD,
and Your faithful servants bless you.

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom;

Your dominion endures throughout all ages.

**For the LORD is faithful in all His works and merciful in all His
deeds. His steadfast love endures forever.**

Blessed are those who know the joyful sound!

They walk, O LORD, in the light of Your presence.

**In Your name we rejoice all day long, and celebrate Your
righteousness, for You are our glory and strength.**

The LORD has shown forth His glory.

Come, let us joyfully lift His praises!

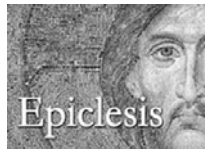
— Scripture weaving from Psalms 66, 89, 145

O, Worship the King

O worship the King, all glorious above,
And gratefully sing His wonderful love;
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.
Oh, girded with praise.

O tell of His might and sing of His grace,
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space;
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,
And dark is the path on the wings of the storm.
Oh, sing of His grace.

Thy bountiful care what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;
It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,
And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.
Oh, worship the King, worship the King.



Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail;
Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer and Friend.

Redeemer and Friend;
He's our Redeemer and Friend,
Oh, worship the King.

Redeemer and Friend;
He's our Redeemer and Friend,
Oh, worship the King.
Worship the King.

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PRAYERS OF ADORATION, INVOCATION AND THANKS

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

Sung:

Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer and Friend.
Redeemer and Friend, He's our Redeemer and Friend,
Oh, worship the King. Worship the King.

Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

Holy God, we praise Thy name;
Lord of all, we bow before Thee!
All on earth Thy scepter claim,
All in Heaven above adore Thee;
Infinite Thy vast domain,
Everlasting is Thy reign.

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PROFESSION OF FAITH

Let us together profess the faith of the church of all ages in these words from the Heidelberg Catechism:

**I am called Christian
because by faith I am a member of Christ,
and so I share in His anointing.**

**I am anointed
to confess His name,
to present myself to Him as a living sacrifice of thanks,
to strive with a good conscience
against sin and the devil in this life,
and afterward to reign with Christ
over all creation, for all eternity.**

**We call him “our Lord” because —
not with gold or silver, but with His precious blood —
He has set us free
from sin and from the tyranny of the devil,
and has bought us, body and soul,
to be His very own.**

—from Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A’s 32, 34

PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

The apostle Paul exhorts us to consider ourselves dead to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus:

“Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal bodies. ...
but present yourselves to God
as those who have been brought from death to life,
and offer every part of yourselves to Him
as an instrument of righteousness.
For sin will no longer have dominion over you,
for you are not under law but under grace.”

— from Romans 6:11-14

[Silent confessions]



Agnus Dei

O Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world;
Have mercy on us.

O Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world;
Have mercy on us.

O Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world;
Grant us peace, Grant us peace.

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ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the benefit you reap leads to holiness, and the result is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

– Romans 6:22-23

I trust in Your steadfast love, O LORD; My heart rejoices in Your salvation. I will sing to the LORD, for He has dealt bountifully with me.

– Psalm 13:5-6

TIME OF OFFERING

Words and prayers of thanksgiving and praise

I Do Worship

I do worship, I do worship. I do worship You. (Repeat)

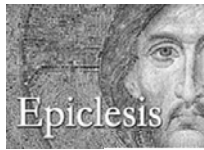
For Your goodness and Your glory,
For the joy inside the story; I do worship You.

O, how excellent is Your presence, we will bless Your name.
(Repeat)

For Your goodness and Your glory; for the joy inside the story;
For the peace You gave to me,
For the day You set me, set me free:
For Your goodness and Your glory, for the joy inside the story –

I do worship, I do worship, I do worship You.

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THE WORD

Psalm 89

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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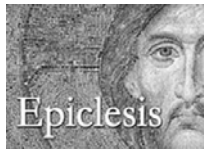
Be Unto Your Name

We are a moment, You are forever,

Lord of the ages, God before time.

We are a vapor, You are eternal,

Love everlasting, reigning on high.



Chorus

Holy, holy, Lord God, Almighty.
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain.
Highest praises, honor and glory
Be unto Your name, be unto Your name.

We are the broken, You are the healer,
Jesus Redeemer, mighty to save.
You are the love song we'll sing forever,
Bowing before You, blessing Your name.

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All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

All hail the power of Jesus' name, let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem and crown Him Lord of all.
Bring forth the royal diadem and crown Him Lord of all.

Let every kindred every tongue on this terrestrial ball
To Him all majesty ascribe and crown Him Lord of all.
To Him all majesty ascribe and crown Him Lord of all.

O that with yonder sacred throng we at His feet may fall;
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all!
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all!

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SENDING FORTH

The Life of the Body

I Do Worship (reprise)

I do worship, I do worship. I do worship You. (Repeat)

For Your goodness and Your glory,
For the joy inside the story –
I do worship, I do worship, I do worship You.

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Benediction:

Now, beloved, we go forth into the world to love and serve the Lord, Christ our King, with grateful hearts continually proclaiming and reflecting His faithfulness and steadfast love.

Amen.

Now to Him who reigns far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age, but also in the age to come, King of kings and Lord of lords, be glory and honor, dominion and praise forever and ever.

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

A thought about worship from the Ancient Fathers –

“There are two kinds of fear. One is accompanied with reverence, such as citizens show toward good rulers, as we show God and as right-minded children show their fathers. ‘For an unbroken horse turns out unmanageable, and a son who is allowed to take his own way turns out reckless.’ The other species of fear is accompanied by hatred that slaves feel toward hard masters and the Hebrews felt, who made God a master, not a Father. And as far as piety is concerned, voluntary and spontaneous actions differ a lot, if not entirely, from forced ones. ‘For He,’ it is said, ‘is merciful; He will heal their sins, and not destroy them, fully turn away His anger, and not kindle all His wrath.’ See how the Instructor’s justice, which deals in rebukes, and God’s goodness, which deals in compassion, are shown. David—that is, the Spirit through him—embracing both fears, sings of God Himself: ‘Justice and judgment are the preparation of His throne: mercy and truth shall go before Thy face.’ He says that it is by the same power both to judge and to do good. For there is power over both, and judgment separates that justice from its opposite. And He who is truly God is just and good, who is Himself all.” —

Clement of Alexandria

Lectionary readings for next week: Genesis 24:34-67; Psalm 45:10-17;
Song of Solomon 2:8-13;
Zechariah 9:9-12; Psalm 145:8-14;
Romans 7:15-25a; Matthew 11:16-30

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