

An Ancient-Future Faith Community

Liturgy

July 21, 2019 (Sixth Sunday after Pentecost)

GATHERING

O give thanks to the LORD, call on His name;

Make known His deeds among the peoples.

Sing to Him, sing praises to Him;

tell of all His wonderful works.

Glory in His holy name;

let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!

Seek the LORD and His strength; seek His presence continually.

One thing I have asked of the LORD, that I shall seek:

that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life,

to behold the beauty of the LORD and to meditate in His temple.

In Your temple, O God, we meditate on Your steadfast love.

Your praise, like Your name, reaches to the ends of the earth;

You are righteous in all Your ways.

We will trust in the steadfast love of the LORD

and thank Him forever, because of what He has done.

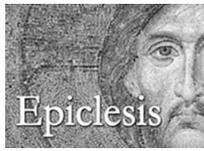
In the presence of the faithful we proclaim His name, for it is

good. His faithfulness continues through all generations.

– Scripture weaving from Psalms 105, 27,48, 52



Mary and Martha, Hi Qi, 2001



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.
O 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.
O 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.
O 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,
O worship the King.

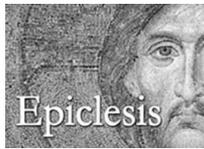
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PRAYERS OF ADORATION, INVOCATION AND THANKS

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

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near;
Join me in glad adoration!



Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
If with His love He befriend thee.

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PROFESSION OF FAITH

**This is the hope of the gospel,
which was proclaimed in all creation under heaven,
the mystery which was hidden from past ages and generations
but has now been manifested to us, His saints:**

Jesus is the Christ, the image of the invisible God,
the firstborn of all creation.

*In Him all things in the heavens and on earth were created,
things visible and invisible,
whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities –
all things have been created through Him and for Him.*

He is before all things,
and in Him all things hold together.

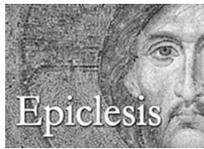
*He is the head of the body, the church;
He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead,
so that He might come to have first place in everything.*

For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,
and through Him God was pleased
to reconcile all things to Himself,
whether things on earth or things in heaven,
by making peace through the blood of His cross.

*And although we were formerly alienated and hostile in mind,
engaged in evil deeds,
yet now He has reconciled us in His fleshly body through death,
in order to present us before Him
holy and blameless and beyond reproach.*

**God has made known to us the riches of the glory of this mystery:
Christ in us, the hope of glory.
Thanks be to God!**

– from Colossians 1:15-28



PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

O LORD, who may abide in Your tabernacle,
and who may dwell on Your holy hill?

Those who have clean hands and a pure heart,
Whose walk is blameless, who do what is righteous;

[Silence]

O LORD, who may abide in Your tabernacle,
and who may dwell on Your holy hill?

*Those who speak the truth from their hearts,
Who do no wrong to a neighbor.*

[Silence]

O LORD, who may abide in Your tabernacle,
and who may dwell on Your holy hill?

Those who honor those who fear the LORD.

[Silence]

*They shall receive a blessing from the LORD
and righteousness from the God of their salvation;
they will never be shaken.*

This is the generation of those who seek Him,
of those who seek Your face, O God.

– from Psalms 15 and 24

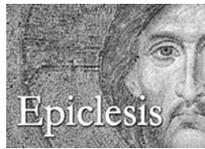
The Jesus Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,
Have mercy on me, a sinner.
Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison.
Kyrie eleison, Lord Jesus, have mercy on me.

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ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Brothers and sisters, hear God's steadfast and faithful promises:



Good and upright is the LORD;
therefore He instructs sinners in the way.
*He leads the humble in what is right,
and teaches the humble His way.*
Who are those who fear the LORD?
He will instruct them in the way they should choose.
*Their souls shall abide in prosperity,
and their children shall inherit the land.*
The friendship of the LORD is for those who fear Him,
and He makes His covenant known to them.
**All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness,
for those who keep His covenant and His decrees.**

– Psalm 25: 8-10, 12-14

TIME OF OFFERING

Words and prayers of thanksgiving and praise

Christ Be With Me (St. Patrick's Prayer)

Christ be with me, Christ within me,
Christ behind me and before me.
Christ beside me, Christ to win me,
Christ to comfort and restore.

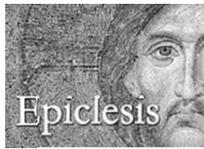
Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ in heart of all who know me.
Christ in mouth of friend and stranger,
Christ in quiet and in roar.

Chorus

Love, blessed Trinity of Three bound in unity
Who guide my journey.
I will arise with strength of heav'n, trusting in Your light
To guide my journey, shine before me, lead me home.

Pow'r to guide me, might to hold me,
Wisdom teach me, watching o'er me.
Ear to hear me, hand to guard me,
Love to conquer ev'ry fear.

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THE WORD

Luke 19:38-42

THE TABLE

Remembering the Body of Christ

Passing of the Peace



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)

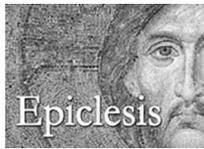
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heav'n.
Provide each day our daily needs;
Forgive our sins as we forgive others' wrongs;
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, forever and ever;
And Thine is the power, forever and ever;
And Thine is the glory, now and forever. Amen, amen, amen.

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Redeemer, Saviour, Friend

I know You had me on Your mind
When You climbed up on that hill,
For You saw me with eternal eyes,
While I was yet in sin: Redeemer, Saviour, Friend.

Every stripe upon Your battered back,
Every thorn that pierced Your brow,
Every nail drove deep through guiltless hands



Said that Your love knows no end: Redeemer, Saviour, Friend.

Chorus

Oh, Redeemer, redeem my heart again;
Saviour, come and shelter me from sin.
You're familiar with my weakness,
Devoted to the end. Redeemer, Saviour, Friend,

So the grace You pour upon my life
Will return to You in praise,
And I'll gladly lay down all my crowns
For the name by which I'm saved: Redeemer, Saviour, Friend.

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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.

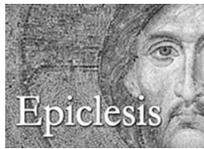
There is no sinner beyond the infinite stretch of Your mercy.
How can we thank You enough
For how You have loved us completely?

Chorus

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

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SENDING FORTH
The Life of the Body



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Chorus

Love, blessed Trinity of Three bound in unity who guide my journey.
I will arise with strength of heav'n, trusting in Your light
To guide my journey, shine before me, lead me home.

Benediction:

Brothers and sisters, as we go forth into the world to love and serve the Lord, let us remember with thankful hearts that He has called us into the company of those who trust in Christ and seek to obey His will. He has called us His friends, and has given us the privilege and charge to love and serve others as He has loved us. **Amen.**

May He guide us closer to Him and to one another, in the unity of the Spirit and the bond of peace, confirming us in His ways, for His glory alone, forever.

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

A thought about worship from the Ancient Fathers –

“The God of all things and of His holy angels was made known beforehand through the prophets. . . . As a result, all the Jewish people hung in expectation of His coming. After Jesus' arrival, however, they fell into a keen dispute with each other. A large number acknowledged Christ and believed Him to be the object of prophecy, while others didn't believe in Him. . . . Instead, they dared to inflict upon Jesus cruelties His disciples truthfully and candidly recorded. But both Jesus and His disciples desired that His followers wouldn't believe merely in His Godhead and miracles (as if He hadn't also taken on human nature and assumed the human flesh which 'lusteth against the Spirit'), but that they would also see that He had descended into human nature and into the midst of human miseries. He assumed a human soul and body. From Him there began the union of the divine with the human nature, in order that the human, by communion with the divine, might rise to be divine. . . . Everyone who lives according to Jesus' teaching rises to a friendship with God and communion with Him.”
– Origen

Lectionary for next week: Hosea 1:2-10; Psalm 85; Genesis 18:20-32; Psalm 138;
Colossians 2:6-19; Luke 11:1-13

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