

## **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

*All stand, as able.*

### **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING** (*Eucharistic Prayer A*)

BCP 361

*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 God thanks and praise.**

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**

LEVAS 255

*All stand or kneel, as able.*

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:

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

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.

### **AMEN**

Hymnal S-146

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. 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 for ever. Amen.**

### **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

*A period of silence is kept.*

*Celebrant:* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us

*People:* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

### **THE COMMUNION**

*Gluten-free wafers are available; please let an usher or priest know your desire.*

### **COMMUNION ANTHEM**

Ave verum corpus William Byrd (1543-1623)  
*sung by members of Siglo de Oro*

Ave, verum corpus, natum de Maria Virgine: vere passum, immolatum in cruce pro homine: cuius latus perforatum unda fluxit et sanguine: esto nobis praegustatum, in mortis examine. O dulcis, O pie, O Jesu, Fili Mariae. Miserere mei. Amen.

*Hail, true body, born of the Virgin Mary: You who truly suffered and were sacrificed on the cross for the sake of man. From whose pierced side flowed water and blood: Be a foretaste for us in the trial of death. O sweet, O gentle, O Jesus, son of Mary, have mercy on me. Amen.*

### **COMMUNION HYMN**

*Let thy blood in mercy poured* Hymn 313

### **THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

BCP 366

*All stand or kneel, as able.*

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

**Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

*If Lay Eucharistic Visitors are being sent out, the following is prayed:*

*Celebrant:* In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whose you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

*People:* **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

### **THE BLESSING**

### **FINAL HYMN**

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* Hymn 390

### **THE DISMISSAL**

*Celebrant:* Alleluia. Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People:* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia.**

### **POSTLUDE**

### **THE ALTAR FLOWERS ARE GIVEN**

*In memory of Kim Hines's mother (friend of Karan Wright)*

*This morning we welcome a quartet from Siglo de Oro and their director Patrick Allies. The entire ensemble will be presenting a concert here this afternoon at 4:00 p.m., and all are welcome!*



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## **THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

*The Holy Eucharist*

SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

10:00 AM

*St. Andrew's Episcopal Church † Burke, Virginia*

### **PRELUDE**

### **OPENING HYMN**

*O bless the Lord, my soul*

Hymn 411

### **THE WORD OF GOD**

BCP 355

*All stand, as able.*

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

*People:* **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

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.**

### **BENEDICTUS ES, DOMINE**

Hymnal S-236

### **THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **THE LESSONS**

*People are seated for the readings and psalm.*

A reading from the book of Genesis.

*Genesis 50:15-21*

Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, 'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

### **PSALM 103:1-13**

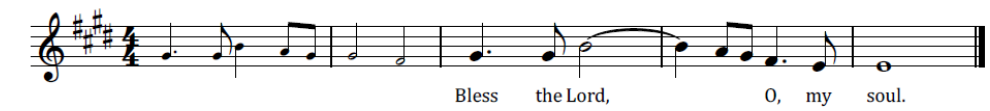
*The choir sings the antiphon, then all repeat it. The choir sings the verses alone.*



- 1 Bless the Lord, O my soul, \*  
and all that is within me, bless his holy Name.
- 2 Bless the Lord, O my soul, \*  
and forget not all his benefits.

*All repeat the antiphon.*

- 3 He forgives all your sins \*  
and heals all your infirmities;
- 4 He redeems your life from the grave \*  
and crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness;
- 5 He satisfies you with good things, \*  
and your youth is renewed like an eagle's.
- 6 The Lord executes righteousness \*  
and judgment for all who are oppressed.



7 He made his ways known to Moses \*  
and his works to the children of Israel.  
8 The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, \*  
slow to anger and of great kindness.

*All repeat the antiphon.*

9 He will not always accuse us, \*  
nor will he keep his anger for ever.  
10 He has not dealt with us according to our sins, \*  
nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.  
11 For as the heavens are high above the earth, \*  
so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.  
12 As far as the east is from the west, \*  
so far has he removed our sins from us.  
13 As a father cares for his children, \*  
so does the Lord care for those who fear him.

*All repeat the antiphon.*

A reading from Paul’s letter to the Romans.

*Romans 14:1-12*

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God. We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord’s. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written, “As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God.” So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.  
*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

**SEQUENCE HYMN** *Where charity and love prevail* Hymn 581

**THE GOSPEL** *Matthew 18:21-35*  
*All stand, as able.*

*Celebrant:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.  
*People:* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Peter came and said to Jesus, “Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?” Jesus said to him, “Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

“For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, ‘Pay what you owe.’ Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and

reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?’ And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

*Celebrant:* The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People:* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**THE SERMON** The Venerable Holly Hanback  
*Archdeacon of the Diocese of Virginia*

**THE NICENE CREED** BCP 358  
*All stand, as able.*

**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 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**  
*The Intercessor and People pray responsively.*

Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! With grateful hearts, we pray saying “Loving God, hear our prayer.”

Loving God, look upon your Church with eyes of great compassion and love. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for *the Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean*. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for *St. Matthew’s, Sterling; and St. Thomas, Richmond*. We pray for St. Andrew’s, Ramallah. Let us pray,

**Loving God, hear our prayer.**

Loving God, as we all seek to proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ, we pray for ministers. We pray in particular for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Bishops Stevenson, Harris, and Smith, our bishops; for Will, our priest, for Justin, our Aspirant. We pray for all of us, ministers in your Church. Let us pray,

**Loving God, hear our prayer.**

Loving God, have compassion on the people of our region. We pray for all of our government and elected officials in the nation and in our community. We pray for our military, civil servants, and all who serve the common good. Let us pray,

**Loving God, hear our prayer.**

Loving God, all that you have created tells of your love for us. Guide us in the stewardship of creation. Let us pray,

**Loving God, hear our prayer.**

Loving God, you promise to give rest to all those who carry heavy burdens. Lift up those who are weighed down by the burdens of violence, discrimination, depression, and despair. Guide us to seek your justice in racial inequality and wherever human dignity is diminished. Let us pray,

**Loving God, hear our prayer.**

Loving God, your son Jesus revealed your heart to be gentle and humble. We pray for those who have restless souls. We pray in particular for those who struggle with addiction and other mental health conditions. We pray for other struggles of our frail human nature either out loud or in the silence of our hearts. Let us pray,

**Loving God, hear our prayer.**

Loving God, you are good and we praise you with a joyful noise. We thank you for all of the blessings of this life. We pray for other thanksgivings, either out loud or in the silence of our hearts. Let us pray,

**Loving God, hear our prayer.**

Loving God, you adorn the poor with victory: be with the hungry and the oppressed. Comfort the grieving. Give peace and your loving presence to all places in this world and our country upset by disaster, including Afghanistan, Ukraine, Yemen, South Sudan, Libya, Morocco and other places we now name out loud or in the silence of our hearts. Let us pray,

**Loving God, hear our prayer.**

Loving God, we pray for all who suffer in this world and need healing. We pray in particular for *John Carver, Nancy, Andrea, Tony Durso, JD Thomas, Don & Marlene Taggart, Steve Ramsdell, Libby Fike, Larry Packard, Eve Albanese, Sally Heyer, Obadiah & Claudia Dugan*.

We pray also for those newly added to our prayer list, *Emily Compton, Marcia & Jim Compton, and Manuel Pablo*, and all those on our extended parish prayer list. (*Bill Hartig, Olivia, Felix, Frank, Maureen Sullivan, John & Gayle Brooks, Eddie Fortune, Michelle, Mike, Diane, Miguel, Andrea, Dorothy, Edie, Angela Kennedy, Butler Family, Jacia, Karen Camp, Bishop Carl Wright, Karen, Judy, Dom Grady, Patrick Payne, Deanna, Doug & Kat Connell, Rt. Rev. Shannon Johnston, Francisco, Bill Reid, Elaine Askew, Terri Bennett, Sylvia J., Bill Armour*). We pray for others we now name out loud or in the silence of our hearts. Let us pray,

**Loving God, hear our prayer.**

Loving God, you rescue us from death. We pray for *LJ Thomas Ahlers (family of the Goulds)*, and all who have died. We pray out loud or in the silence of our hearts for others who have died, from any time. May we come to know that heavenly comfort you have prepared for us. Let us pray,

**Loving God, hear our prayer.**

**THE PEACE**

*Celebrant:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People:* **And also with you.**

**THE OFFERTORY**

**ANTHEM** View me, Lord Richard Lloyd (1933-2021)  
*sung with members of Siglo de Oro, Patrick Allies, director*

1 *View me, Lord, a work of Thine:  
Shall I then lie drown'd in night?  
Might Thy grace in me but shine,  
I should seem made all of light.*

3 *Worldly joys, like shadows, fade  
When the heav'nly light appears,  
But the cov'nants Thou hast made,  
Endless, know nor days nor years.*

2 *Cleanse me, Lord, that I may kneel  
At Thine altar pure and white:  
They that once Thy mercies feel,  
Gaze no more on earth's delight.*

4 *In Thy Word, Lord, is my trust,  
To Thy mercies fast I fly;  
Though I am but clay and dust,  
Yet Thy grace can lift me high. Amen.*

**PRESENTATION HYMN** Hymn 380, v. 3