

CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR

HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO APRIL 28, 2024 | 10:00 AM



At 9:55, the gathering Tower Bell rings.

Welcome

Prelude

Pastorale

Jan K. Kuchar (1751-1829)

The final Tower Bell rings. All stand, as they are able, to sing the following hymn:

Hymn in Procession

Hymn 475 – God himself is with us

Tysk

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant	Alleluia! Christ is risen!
People	The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The Collect for Purity

Celebrant 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.**

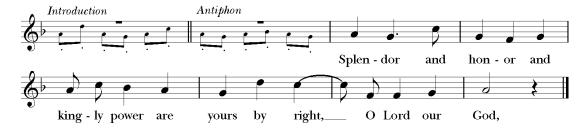
During the Hymn of Praise, we invite all children ages 4 years through 5th grade to follow the cross and process out of the historic sanctuary and into the Atwill Building to have their own worship experience.

While everyone ages 4 years through 5th grade is invited, they certainly are not expected or required to go to Children's Church. We hope to give you a variety of ways to worship and encourage you to engage in a way that feels life giving for you and your family.

Hymn of Praise

Hymn S 266 – A song to the Lamb

sung by the choir with congregational antiphon Calvin Hampton (1938-1984)



Collect of the Day

Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LESSONS

The Reading

Acts 8:26-40

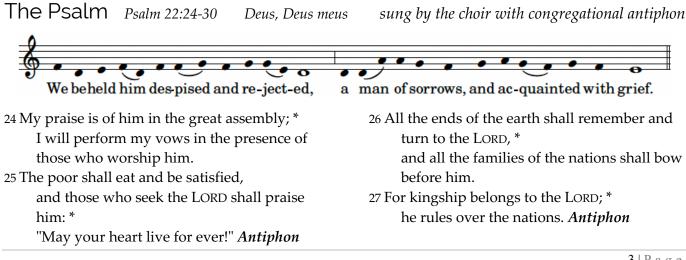
An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth."

The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

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

Silence is kept.



28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow 30 They shall come and make known to a people down in worship; * all who go down to the dust fall before him. 29 My soul shall live for him; my descendants shall serve him; * they shall be known as the LORD's for ever.

Sequence Hymn

Hymn 467 (vs. 1 - 2) Sing, my soul, his wondrous lover

The Holy Gospel

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. Glory to you, Lord Christ. People

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

yet unborn *

Antiphon

the saving deeds that he has done.

The Gospel of the Lord. Deacon Praise to you, Lord Christ. People

Sequence Hymn

Hymn 467 (vv. 3 - 4) Sing, my soul, his wondrous lover

The people are seated for the sermon.

The Sermon

After a brief silence for reflection, the people stand, as they are able.

The Nicene Creed

Celebrant and People

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,

The Rev. Christina Rees, Guest Preacher

John 15:1-8

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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

When the Intercessor invites us by saying "Let us pray to our God," please join in saying **"Risen Christ, hear our prayer."** During the silence, the people add their own prayers, either silently or aloud. The Celebrant concludes with a Collect.

The Peace

CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

All greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Welcome and Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Celebrant says the offertory sentence.

Offertory Anthem

God is love

Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and anyone who loves is born of God and knows God. He who does not love does not know God; for God is love. In this, we have come to know his love, that he gave up his life for us. McNeil Robinson

And we likewise ought to give up our life for our brethren. Beloved, let us love one another, for God is love.

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer A

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.

The people remain standing, as they are able, and the Celebrant begins,

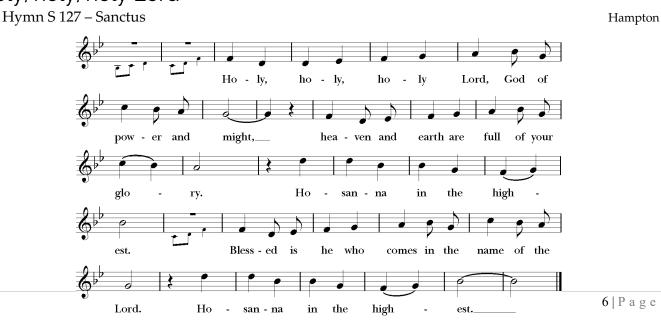
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a Proper Preface is said.

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:

The Celebrant and people sing together,

Holy, holy, holy Lord



The people remain standing as they are able. The Celebrant continues.

Holy and gracious God: 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 all 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.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption 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**.

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

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

A period of silence is kept.

CelebrantAlleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us!PeopleTherefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

The Celebrant says the Invitation to Communion.

Communion Anthem

I am the vine

Mark Bender (b. 1951)

I am the vine, you are the branches. If a man remains in me, abides in me, he will bear much fruit. Apart from me you can do nothing.

Prayer for Spiritual Reception

(A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion).

The Celebrant says the following,

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

(St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787; from Bishop Curry)

The Sending Forth of Lay Eucharistic Visitor

Celebrant I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom 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 and one cup.

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.

The Priest blesses the People.

Hymn in Recession Hymn 379 – God is love, let heaven adore him

Dismissal

After the Dismissal, you are welcome to leave quietly. Please join Coffee Hour in Telleen Courtyard (exit through the nave to the patio in front of Cleaver Hall). If you would like to remain in your seat to listen to the Postlude, please do.

DeaconLet us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!PeopleThanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Postlude

Marche en Rondeau

Marc-Antoine Charpentier (1634-1704)

Please join us on the patio right after the service for coffee!

Today's Second Lectionary Reading from the New Testament

1 John 4:17-21

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

Abbot's Leigh

The flowers this Sunday are given in loving memory of... Ruth Wilson Patton

in thanksgiving for the birthday of... Elaine Ma

and in thanksgiving for the wedding annvisersary of... Mark & Linda Goluskin

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