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The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 19)
The Holy Eucharist Rite II
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Wherever you find yourself on your faith journey, you are welcome here.

We invite you to join us for the Word and Sacraments, which are God's gifts. It does not matter who you are, what you look like, what you have done in the past, or who you love. God's grace is not petty nor earned. It is radical, transformative, and universal. As such, we seek to mirror God's healing love by making this a safe place for skeptics, seekers, those whom the church has wounded, those who have never darkened its doors, those who have wandered away, new believers, and those who never left.

As a diverse community in God, we have discovered a unity more significant than our differences. We have come to know that our variety reflects the divine completeness of God. Engaging God is a lifelong process. Wherever you find yourself on your faith journey, God invites you to keep traveling. The Spirit of God drew you here in some subtle or profound way. Our hearts are open to God and to you.



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*The City is My Monastery: A Contemporary Rule of Life, Richard Carter, page 228

Prelude

Deb Harstine

Welcome

Cindy Badwey

Call To Prayer

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All Stand

Let us pray. Gracious God, who has created each of us in Your image, we ask for Your presence among us today as we strive to make this faith community a safe place for everyone. Help us to recognize Your face in all those entrusted to our care, as well as in those with whom we work. May our ministries and fellowship be blessed encounters with You and Your people. *Amen*

Processional

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

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Opening Acclamation

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

And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and forever.

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*

Gloria in Excelsis

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Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God, and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. *Amen*

The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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 forever. *Amen*

The Lessons

All be seated

Old Testament

Exodus 14:19-31

A Reading from Exodus.

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so, the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night.

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, with the waters forming a wall for them on their right and left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch, the Lord in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the Israelites, for the Lord is fighting for them against Egypt."

Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the Lord tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left.

Thus, the Lord saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the Lord did against the Egyptians. So, the people feared the Lord and believed in the Lord and in his servant Moses.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

Psalm 114

Hallelujah! When Israel came out of Egypt, * the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech,

Judah became God's sanctuary * and Israel his dominion.

The sea beheld it and fled; * Jordan turned and went back.

The mountains skipped like rams, * and the little hills like young sheep.

What ailed you, O sea, that you fled? * O Jordan, that you turned back?

You mountains, that you skipped like rams? * You little hills like young sheep?

Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, * at the presence of the God of Jacob,

Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water * and flint-stone into a flowing spring.

Epistles

Romans 14:1-12

A Reading from The Letter of Paul to the Romans.

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.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

The Gospel

Matthew 18:21-35

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew
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.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Instrumental Music

Kelly Middleton

The Nicene Creed

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 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

Kneeling or Standing as able

Almighty deliverer, you have heard and lifted up your people again and again; hear us now as we pray, saying,

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Grant this faith community wisdom to discern your call to us, that we might be the beacon of hope you intend us to be.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Give us courage and determination in our civic life, that we might be witnesses to the power of repentance, reconciliation, and justice to our neighbors.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Lead us into the way of life that is sustainable and equitable, that all might participate in the bounty of your creation.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Open our eyes, our hearts, and our hands to respond to the needs of those around us who lack basic needs; show us how to respond in love to the needs we encounter.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Bring healing and wholeness to all who suffer, who face illness, or who are wounded; mend what has broken in our lives.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Embrace the dying in your grace, ransom us and give us new life in the Kingdom to come.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Pray for St. John's Episcopal Church, Abilene, The Reverend Shawn Sherraden and their lay leadership.

For the Archbishop of Canterbury, The Right Reverend and Honorable Dame Sarah Mullaly, our Presiding Bishop, Sean Rowe, Father Les, all bishops and ministers, and all God's holy people.

Pray for South-Central Kansas Minster, the Reverend Kitty Shield, Minster Shepherd, St. Jude, Wellington; Trinity, Ark City; Epiphany, Sedan; Grace, Winfield; and their clergy and people.

Pray for the search process and election of the next Bishop of the Diocese of Kansas.

We give thanks for the opportunity to gather as a community of skeptics, seekers, and believers and to support the Family Life Center Safehouse, RISE Meals for the Homeless, Priscilla's Pet Pantry, and all outreach ministries of Trinity through our outreach efforts.

The Concluding Collect

Sovereign Lord, grant a deeper understanding and love of you that we might grow to the statutes you intended for us and answer our prayers through Christ, our only Lord, who lives and lives with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and always. *Amen*

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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 have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. *Amen*

The Absolution

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.
Amen

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Announcements

Birthday Blessing

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen***

Birthday this week: Julia Gurney

Offertory Sentence

Let all be fully convinced in their own minds: everything is from the Lord. So, by all that we are and in all that we do and have, let us give thanks to God, who gives us all things.

Instrumental Music

Deb Harstine

All things come from Thee, O Lord.
And of Thine own have we given thee.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
Lift up your hearts.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Eucharistic Prayer A

And also with you.
We lift them to the Lord.
It is right to give him 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 through your Son Jesus Christ you have forgiven us a debt that we could not pay, and you have called us your children, brothers and sisters of one another, to forgive each other, and to live together as a faithful people, dependent on and giving of your grace.

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

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Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might, Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full, full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

All stand 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 forever. *AMEN +++*

And now, as our Savior Christ hath 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

Alleluia. Christ our Passover, is sacrificed for us.

Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Invitation

This is the banquet of the Lamb. It is made ready for those who love God and for those who want to love God more. So come, you who have much faith and you who have little, you who have been here often, and you who have not been here long, you who have tried to follow, and you who have failed. Come, because it is the Lord who invites you. It is Christ's will that those who want him should meet him here.

These are the gifts of God for the People of God. Receive them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All are invited to receive from God's Banquet table all the benefits, grace upon grace, of our Lord Jesus Christ's life, death, and resurrection.

The Post-Communion Prayer

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 Blessing

*Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the faint-hearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honor everyone; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. And now the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. *Amen*

Recessional

“Go Forth for God, go to the World in Peace”

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The Dismissal

Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us. So be swift to love, make haste to be kind, and go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn

“Go Now in Love and Peace”

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Ministers of This Service

The Rev. Les Jackson, *Celebrant*

Chris Robrahn, *Acolyte*

Annette Gurney, *Counter*

Joshua Dennison & Denise Irwin, *Videographer*

Cindy Badwey & Becky White, *Altar Guild*

Cindy Badwey, *Lector*

Carol Turner, *Usher*

Kelly Middleton, *Organist*

Les & Valinda Jackson, *Hospitality*

Join us following the service for coffee & fellowship.