



June 25, 2023
The Fourth Sunday of After Pentecost
10:45am

Welcome

Opening Songs

The Heart of Worship

When the music fades all is stripped away
And I simply come
Longing just to bring something that's of
worth
That will bless Your heart

I'll bring You more than a song
For a song in itself is not what You have
required
You search much deeper within
Through the way things appear
You're looking into my heart

I'm coming back to the heart of worship
And it's all about You all about You Jesus
I'm sorry Lord for the thing I've made it
When it's all about You all about You Jesus

King of endless worth no one could express
How much You deserve
Though I'm weak and poor all I have is Yours
Ev'ry single breath

I'll bring You more than a song
For a song in itself is not what You have
required
You search much deeper within
Through the way things appear
You're looking into my heart

I'm coming back to the heart of worship
And it's all about You all about You Jesus
I'm sorry Lord for the thing I've made it
When it's all about You all about You Jesus!

Who Do They Say I Am?

What do they say in the
Cities and towns, of me?
Who do they say I am?
Some say John the Baptist
And some say Elijah
It's clear few understand

But who do you say I am?
Who do you say I am?
You're the Messiah!
You are my king!
Lord, You're our Savior!
You're the light in all things

What do they say in the
Furrows and fields, of me?
Who do they say I am?
Some say John the Baptist
And some say Elijah
It's clear few understand

But who do you say I am?
Who do you say I am?

You're the Messiah
You are my king
Lord, You're our Savior
You're the light in all things

Light of the World
God of All Grace
Son of the Father and
Ancient of Days
Who Is and Who Was
and Who Is to Come

But who do you say I am?
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Who do you say I am?

You're the Messiah
You are my king
Lord, You're our Savior
You're the light in all things
You're the Messiah!

Clergy. Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Collect of the Day

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

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Reading

Jeremiah 20:7-13

O Lord, you have enticed me and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all day long; everyone mocks me. For whenever I speak, I must cry out, I must shout, "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the Lord has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. If I say, "I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name," then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. For I hear many whispering: "Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us

denounce him!” All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. “Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him, and take our revenge on him.” But the Lord is with me like a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten. O Lord of hosts, you test the righteous, you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause. Sing to the Lord; praise the Lord! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

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

Psalm 69: 8-20

<p>8 Surely, for your sake have I suffered reproach, * and shame has covered my face.</p> <p>9 I have become a stranger to my own kindred, * an alien to my mother’s children.</p> <p>10 Zeal for your house has eaten me up; * the scorn of those who scorn you has fallen upon me.</p> <p>11 I humbled myself with fasting, * but that was turned to my reproach.</p> <p>12 I put on sack-cloth also, * and became a byword among them.</p> <p>13 Those who sit at the gate murmur against me, * and the drunkards make songs about me.</p> <p>14 But as for me, this is my prayer to you, * at the time you have set, O Lord:</p>	<p>15 “In your great mercy, O God, * answer me with your unfailing help.</p> <p>16 Save me from the mire; do not let me sink; * let me be rescued from those who hate me and out of the deep waters.</p> <p>17 Let not the torrent of waters wash over me, neither let the deep swallow me up; * do not let the Pit shut its mouth upon me.</p> <p>18 Answer me, O Lord, for your love is kind; * in your great compassion, turn to me.”</p> <p>19 Hide not your face from your servant; * be swift and answer me, for I am in distress.</p> <p>20 Draw near to me and redeem me; * because of my enemies deliver me.”</p>
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Gospel Song

Every Promise

From the breaking of the dawn
 To the setting of the sun
 I will stand on ev’ry promise of Your word
 Through this dark and troubled land
 You will guide me with Your hand

As I stand on ev’ry promise of Your word
 Grace sufficient grace for me
 Grace for all who will believe
 We will stand on ev’ry promise of Your word

Holy Gospel

Matthew 10: 24-39

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

Jesus said to the twelve apostles, “A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! “So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. “Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. “Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and one’s foes will be members of one’s own household. Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.”

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

Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Charles N. Stewart

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.

Prayers of the People

The Leader and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For all bishops and other ministers both clergy and laity;
For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence during which the People may add their own petitions either silently or aloud.

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence during which the People may add their own thanksgivings either silently or aloud.

We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence during which the People may add their own petitions either silently or aloud.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

Confession of Sin

Clergy

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All

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.

Absolution

Clergy

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

Clergy

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.

Announcements Anniversary & Birthday Blessings

May the strength of God pilot you, May the power of God preserve you, May the wisdom of God instruct you, May the hand of God protect you, May the way of God direct you, May the shield of God guard you against the snares of evil and the temptations of the world. May the Spirit of God bless you in the coming year. *Adapted from St. Patrick, c.389*

Offertory

In You, O Lord

Michael S. Larkin

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

Priest The Lord be with you.

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

Priest Lift up your hearts.

***People* We lift them to the Lord.**

Priest 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.

A Proper Preface is said here.

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:

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

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.**

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.

Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Communion

Music at Communion

How Beautiful

The Postcommunion 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.

Blessing

Closing Song

I Am

There's no space that His love can't reach
There's no place where we can't find peace
There's no end to amazing grace
Take me in with Your arms spread wide
Take me in like an orphan child
Never let go never leave my side

I am holding onto You
I am holding onto You
In the middle of the storm
I am holding on (I am)
Love like this O my God to find
I am overwhelmed with a joy divine

Love like this sets our hearts on fire

I am holding onto You
I am holding onto You
In the middle of the storm

I am holding on (I am)
I am holding onto You
I am holding onto You
In the middle of the storm
I am holding on (I am)

This is my resurrection song
This is my hallelujah come
This is why it's to You I run
There's no space that His love can't reach
There's no place where we can't find peace
There's no end to amazing grace

I am holding onto You
I am holding onto You
In the middle of the storm
I am holding on (I am)
I am holding onto You
I am holding onto You
In the middle of the storm
I am holding on, I am!

Dismissal

Clergy
People

Let us go forth in the name of the Risen Christ, Alleluia! Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

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Prayers of the People/Chalice
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