

St Benedict's Episcopal Church

Los Osos, California ~ Tending Mind and Soul ~ The 23rd Sunday after Pentecost ECUMENICAL SUNDAY October 31, 2021 10:30 AM SERVICE

Whoever you are and wherever you are on your faith journey, there's a warm welcome for you here

Prelude: "Mercy"

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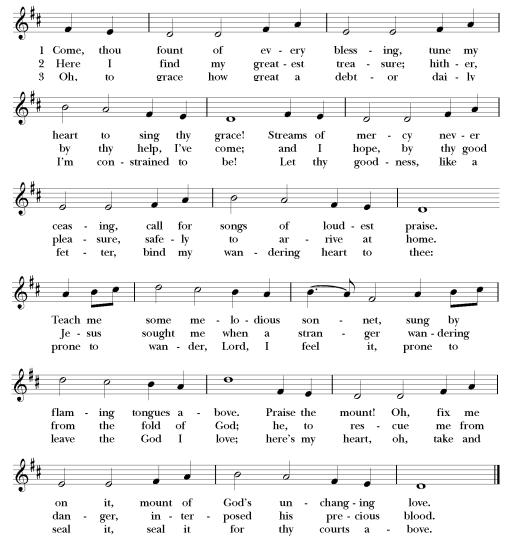
Celebrant:Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.People:Glory to God for ever and ever!

All: Holy and Life-Giving Spirit, you know our innermost thoughts even before they break through into consciousness; you teach us how to pray. Breathe your breath into our hearts and minds this morning. Prepare us for worship, that our thoughts may turn to you and our hearts bow down in grateful praise of God - Creator, Word, and Holy Spirit, Amen.

Hymn of Praise

"Come Thou Fount"

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Collect of the Day

Celebrant:The Lord be with you.People:And also with you.Celebrant:Let us pray together.All:All -merciful God, it is only by your gift that your faithful people offer youtrue and laudable service: Grant that we may run without stumbling to obtain yourheavenly promises; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and theHoly Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Lector: A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Lector:Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's PeoplePeople:Thanks be to God

Psalm 46

1 God is our refuge and strength, $*$			
a very present help in trouble.			
2 Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, *			
and though the mountains be toppled into the depths of the sea;			
3 Though its waters rage and foam, *			
and though the mountains tremble at its tumult.			
4 The Lord of hosts is with us; *			
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.			
5 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, *			
the holy habitation of the Most High.			
6 God is in the midst of her;			
she shall not be overthrown; *			
God shall help her at the break of day.			
7 The nations make much ado, and the kingdoms are shaken; *			
God has spoken, and the earth shall melt away.			
8 The Lord of hosts is with us; *			
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.			
9 Come now and look upon the works of the Lord, *			
what awesome things he has done on earth.			
10 It is he who makes war to cease in all the world; *			
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear,			
and burns the shields with fire.			

- 11 "Be still, then, and know that I am God; * I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth."
- 12 The Lord of hosts is with us; * the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

Romans 3:19-28

Lector: A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans

Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. For "no human being will be justified in his sight" by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin. But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus. Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

Lector:	Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People
People:	Thanks be to God



John 8:31-36

Gospeller:The Holy Gospel of Our Savior Jesus Christ According to John.People:Glory to You, Lord Christ.

Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."

Gospeller:The Gospel of Christ.People:Praise to You, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

(We pause for a few moments' reflection before affirming our faith.)

Affirmation of Our Faith

Let us stand and join in the Affirmation of our Faith

All: We believe in God the Creator, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named. We believe in God the Redeemer, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with God's love. We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high. We believe in One God: Creator, Christ and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Source: Common Worship, Church of England

Prayers of the People - A Litany for Healing

Let us name before God those for whom we offer our prayers, starting with those in the bidding book... (*Prayers from the bidding book are read*.

The people may add additional prayers silently or aloud.)

God the Father, your will for all people is health and salvation;

We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

God the Son, you came that we might have life, and might have it more abundantly; *We praise you and thank you, O Lord.*

God the Holy Spirit, you make our bodies the temple of your presence;

We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

Holy Trinity, one God, in you we live and move and have our being;

We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

Lord, grant your healing grace to all who are sick, injured, or disabled, that they may be made whole;

Hear us, O Lord of life. Grant to all who seek your guidance, and to all who are lonely, anxious, or despondent, a knowledge of your will and an awareness of your presence;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

Mend broken relationships, and restore those in emotional distress to soundness of mind and serenity of spirit;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

Bless physicians, nurses, and all others who minister to the suffering, granting them wisdom and skill, sympathy and patience;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

Grant to the dying peace and a holy death, and uphold by the grace and consolation of your Holy Spirit those who are bereaved;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

Restore to wholeness whatever is broken by human sin, in our lives, in our nation, and in the world;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

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You are the Lord who does wonders: You have declared your power among the peoples.
With you, O Lord, is the well of life: And in your light we see light.
Hear us, O Lord of life: Heal us, and make us whole.

Almighty God, giver of life and health: Send your blessing on all who are sick, and upon those who minister to them, that all weakness may be vanquished by the triumph of the risen Christ; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Confession of Need

Celebrant	Let us confess our need for God's healing grace.		
All	Compassionate God,		
	we confess our weaknesses and our need for your strengthening touch.		
	We confess that some illnesses stem from our own fault,		
	while others are beyond our control.		
	We turn to you, source of life,		
	and ask in the name of our Savior Jesus Christ		
	for the gifts of true healing and life in you. Amen		
Celebrant	May the God of love visit you in your times of trial and weakness, and raise you to newness of life, through Jesus Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit.		

Prayers for Healing

Amen.

The ministry of Jesus invites us to new life in God and with each other. We proclaim the Good News that God desires us to be healthy and one in the body of Christ. And so we offer ourselves, whatever our sickness of spirit, mind, or body, and ask for healing and wholeness in the Name of the holy and undivided Trinity.

(*We invite you to pray for healing for yourself, each other, and the planet. Those wishing to receive a blessing may come forward.*)

Interlude: 'Mercy" - repriseST. FLAVIAN, John Day's Psalter, 1562Arranger: Chris de Silva2016 GIA Pubs, Inc.

A period of silence is kept before joining in the Hymn.

Hymn



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Let us pray together:

Generous God, we give you thanks for your beloved Jesus Christ, in whom you have shared the beauty and pain of human life. Look with compassion upon all for whom we pray, and strengthen us to be your instruments of healing in the world, by the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant:	The peace of Christ be always with you.
People:	And also with you.

To maintain safe social distancing, please simply greet others verbally or with a bow or nod.

Collection plates are not passed, but you may put your contributions in the plate by the usher's station before the service, or at the Peace, or contribute at our website any time.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Offertory: "Be Thou My Vision"

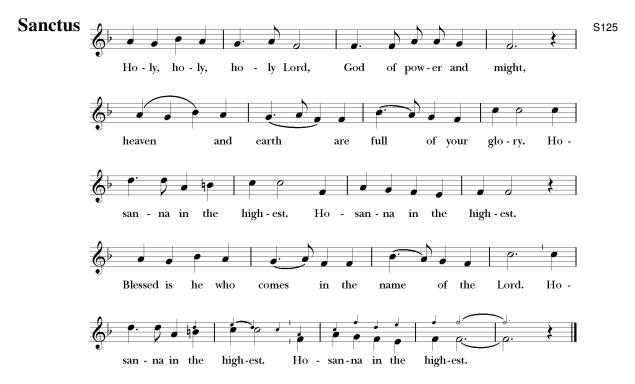
SLANE Irish Melody Arranger: Joel Raney

Holy Eucharist

(Please Stand)

Doxology	Praise God from Whom all blessings flow		
	Praise God all creatures here below, Alleluia, Alleluia		
	Praise God the Source of all our gifts		
	Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts		
	Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia		
Celebrant	The Lord be with you.		
People	And also with you.		
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts.		
People	We raise our hearts to God.		
Celebrant	Let us thank the giver of life.		
People	It is right to give our thanks and praise.		

Celebrant We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:



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Celebrant Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said:

"Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said:

"Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Benedict, and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

All Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer

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

The celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept. S170 Antiphon Cantor; then All 0 Who eats this bread will live for ev er ev - er. Cantor >• . 0 1. This is the bread which comes down true from hea ven Cantor 6 . di la 0 [Ant.] 2. Who - ev the world. and gives life to \mathbf{er} >• 0 believes in shall not hun - ger thirst, for the bread me or (. which I give for the life of the world is flesh. [Ant.] my Music © 1983 Mason Martens

> Look, the Body of Christ is broken for the life of the world. Here is Christ coming to us in bread and in wine.

Holy Communion

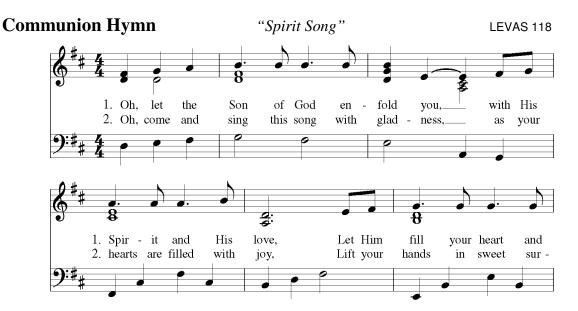
Celebrant:

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

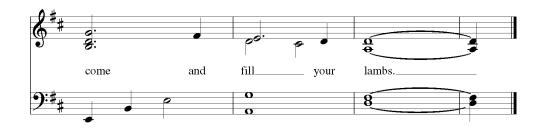
Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving. This is God's table, and all are welcome here.

Communion Music: "In Christ Alone"

Stuart Townsend & Keith Getty Piano Setting by Larry Shackley 2006 Thankyou Music







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(We pause for a moment of silence before joining in our final prayer together)

God Most High, we thank you for welcoming us, teaching us, and feeding us. We deserve nothing from you but in your great mercy you have given us everything in your Son Jesus Christ. We love you and give ourselves to you to be sent out for your work; grant us your blessing, now and for ever. Amen.

Anglican Church of Kenya

The Blessing

May God bless you and keep you; May God's face shine on you give you grace, May God's eyes light upon you and bring you peace. And may the blessing of God All-Compassionate, Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen

Announcements

The Dismissal

Alleluia, alleluia! Let us go forth into the world, Officiant: rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia! People:

Postlude: "Comfort"

Arr. by Chris de Silva GENEVA 42 Genevan Psalter, 1551

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