THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - June 23, 2024

WELCOME! THE SERVICE ORDER OUTLINES OUR WORSHIP. HYMNS CAN BE FOUND IN THE BLUE HYMNAL. THE FLOWERS ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD BY LAURIE WOOD & FAMILY IN LOVING MEMORY OF PHYLIS WOOD.

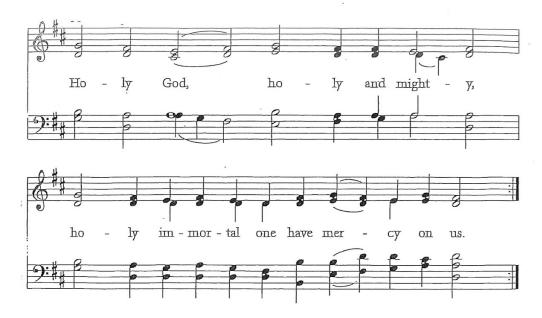
READINGS: JOB 38:1-11; PSALM 107:1-3, 23-32; 2 CORINTHIANS 6:1-13; MARK 4:35-41 Our Readers: AJ Hawks & Brian Payton

Hymn 213, Come Away To The Skies, My Beloved Arise And Rejoice In The Day Thou Wast Born.

THE WORD OF GOD

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

The Trisagion is sung once by the cantor, then twice by all.



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

O God our defender, storms rage about us and cause us to be afraid. Rescue your people from despair, deliver your sons and daughters from fear, and preserve us all from unbelief; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and ever. **Amen**.

A Reading from the Book of Job

In our first reading, God appears to Job out of the whirlwind and asks Job if he is wise enough to question the Creator of the heavens and earth.

The Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind: "Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? I will question you; answer me: "Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements – surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy? "Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb? — when I made the clouds its garment, and thick darkness its swaddling band, and prescribed bounds for it, and set bars and doors, and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stopped'?"

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 107 offers thanksgiving to the Lord, who saves from storms and other dangers The cantor sings the refrain; all repeat, and sing as indicated by **R**.



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Let all those whom the Lord has redeemed proclaim that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe. He gathered them out of the lands; from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south. R. Some went down to the sea in ships and plied their trade in deep waters; they beheld the works of the Lord and his wonders in the deep. Then he spoke, and a stormy wind arose, which tossed high the waves of the sea. R. They mounted up to the heavens and fell back to the depths; their hearts melted because of their peril. Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress. R. He stilled the storm to a whisper and quieted the waves of the sea. Then were they glad because of the calm, and he brought them to the harbor they were bound for. Let them give thanks to the Lord for his mercy and the wonders he does for his children. Let them exalt him in the congregation of the people and praise him in the council of the elders. R.

A Reading from the Second Letter to the Corinthians

In our epistle reading, Paul continues to commend himself, together with the ministry of his coworkers, to the troubled Corinthian church. They have opened their hearts in every way to the Corinthians, and now Paul asks that their love and care find reciprocation.

As we work together with Christ, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says "At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you." See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see-- we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything. We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. In return-- I speak as to children-- open wide your hearts also.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

all stand

Cantor:: Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, according to Mark. Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When evening had come, Jesus said to his disciples, "Let us go across to the other side." And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

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

Sermon -- The Rev. Michael Bradley, Rector

Our Affirmation of Faith - What do we believe?

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.

In peace let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace of the whole world, for the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. R. For our bishops, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord. R.

For our city, for every city and community, and for those who live in them in faith, let us pray to the Lord. R.

For good weather, and for abundant harvests for all to share, let us pray to the Lord. R.

For those who travel by land, water, or air, for the sick and the suffering, for prisoners and captives, and for their safety, health, and salvation, let us pray to the Lord. R.

For our deliverance from all affliction, strife, and need, let us pray to the Lord. R.

For all who have died, especially Bob Bierley, in whose memory the flowers are given. Let us pray to the Lord. R.

Prayers are offered on behalf of the world and our nation; the Church and its members; our family, friends and loved ones; for those in need, trouble, want or sickness; and for the departed.

In our Diocese: Cathedral Church of St. Paul, Detroit; St. Thomas', Trenton

In the Anglican Communion: The Church of England

For places and countries in conflict or war; and for those people who suffer and die. Gaza, the West Bank, Israel, Russia, Ukraine, Myanmar, Sudan, Syria, Haiti.

For those on our prayer list: Christopher, Karen Schulze, Donald Burton, Bill Steiner, Ed Haug, Nina, Vicki, Jim Veit, Lynn Kerber.

We pray for the forgiveness of our sins. Silence is kept, then all pray together:

Have mercy upon us; Have mercy upon us, most merciful God, in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown things done and left undone, and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

God our protector, you stood by Jesus in his time of trial. Stand with us through all life's storms, give us courage to risk danger, and to protect those who are oppressed. Hear all our prayers this day and forgive us all our sins; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

May God's peace be with you always. And also with you. The people may greet each other briefly.

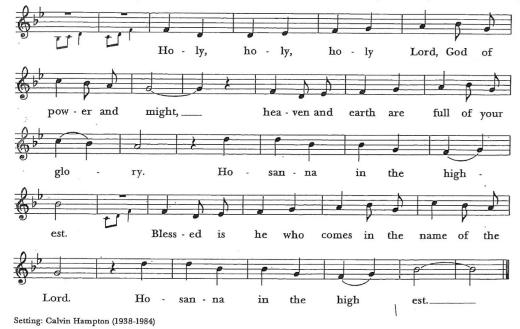
HOLY COMMUNION

All are invited to receive Communion. The bread is placed in the palm of your right hand. You may dip the bread in the wine or sip the wine from the chalice. Instead of Communion and to receive a blessing, kindly keep your hands folded.

Hymn 429, I'll Praise My Maker While I've Breath

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. 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 we know it belongs to your boundless glory, that through your divinity you came to the aid of mortal beings, and fashioned for us out of mortality itself a remedy for our sin; that the cause of our fall from grace might become the means of our salvation. By our Lord's death on the cross He frees us from unending death, and by rising from the dead He gives us eternal life. 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 continues with the Prayer of Consecration, Memorial Acclamation, and Great Amen.

Alle<u>luia</u>. Christ our Passover is <u>sacrificed for us</u>. Therefore let us <u>keep</u> the <u>feast</u>. Alle<u>luia</u>.

The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you. Feed on him in your hearts by faith, and be filled with thanks.

Almighty God; Guide and protect your people from all the dangers of this life. Grant that we who share in this sacred mystery may always be kept safely in your love. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The blessing of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, come down upon you and remain with you, this day and always.

Amen.

Let us go forth to love and serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Hymn 493, O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing My Dear Redeemer's Praise

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