



November 14th, 2021 - Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

All Creatures of Our God and King

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Lift up your voice and with us sing
 O praise Him alleluia
Thou burning sun with golden beam
Thou silver moon with softer gleam
 O praise Him, O praise Him
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia
Thou rushing wind that art so strong
Ye clouds that sail in Heav'n along
 O praise Him, alleluia
Thou rising moon in praise rejoice

Ye lights of evening find a voice
 O praise Him, O praise Him
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia
Let all things their Creator bless
And worship Him in humbleness
 O praise Him alleluia
Praise praise the Father praise the Son
And praise the Spirit three in One
 O praise Him, O praise Him
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Welcome

Opening Acclamation

Leader: Blessed be God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit

People: *And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.*

Collect for Purity

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.

Corporate Confession

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

Show Us Christ

Prepare our hearts, O God, help us to receive
Break the hard and stony ground
Help our unbelief
Plant Your Word down deep in us
'Cause it to bear fruit
Open up our ears to hear, lead us in Your truth

Your Word is living light upon our darkened eyes
Guards us through temptations
Makes the simple wise
Your Word is food for famished ones
Freedom for the slave
Riches for the needy soul
Come speak to us today

*Show us Christ show us Christ
O God reveal Your glory
Through the preaching of Your Word
Until every heart confesses Christ is Lord*

Where else can we go Lord
Where else can we go
You have the words of eternal life
(repeat)

Psalm 48:1-3,8-14

*Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised in the city of our God!
His holy mountain, beautiful in elevation, is the joy of all the earth,
Mount Zion, in the far north, the city of the great King....*

*As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the LORD of hosts,
in the city of our God, which God will establish forever.
We have thought on your steadfast love, O God, in the midst of your temple.*

*As your name, O God, so your praise reaches to the ends of the earth.
Your right hand is filled with righteousness.*

Let Mount Zion be glad! Let the daughters of Judah rejoice because of your judgments!

*Walk about Zion, go around her, number her towers,
consider well her ramparts, go through her citadels,
that you may tell the next generation that this is God, our God forever and ever.
He will guide us forever.*

[Please see the insert for the New Testament and Gospel readings.]

Sermon: Managing God's Economy: Cashing in One's Talents, Investing in the Kingdom

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Leader: Join me in praying the collect of the day.

Together: *Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people, that bringing forth in abundance the fruit of good works, they may be abundantly rewarded when our Savior Jesus Christ comes to restore all things; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

Leader: Let us pray for the Church and the world. [Add your prayers verbally or silently after each petition.]

Oh Lord, show us your mercy *and grant us your salvation* [personal repentance and faith]

Clothe your ministers with righteousness *and make your chosen people joyful* [church leaders and people]

Give peace, O Lord, in all the world *for only in you can we live in safety* [worldwide justice and peace]

Lord, keep this nation under your care *and guide us in the way of justice and truth* [our nation and national and local leaders]

Let your way be known upon earth, *Your saving health among all nations* [world mission]

Let not the needy, O Lord, Be forgotten *nor the hope of the poor be taken away* [local and global need]

Create in us clean hearts, O God *and sustain us with your Holy Spirit* [spiritual growth]

Join me in praying this prayer for our pastor search:

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a Rector for this congregation that we may receive a faithful pastor who will preach the Gospel, care for your people, equip us for ministry, and lead us forth in fulfillment of the Great Commission, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Leader: Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the Unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

(Standing) Passing of the Peace

(Seated) Announcements

(Standing) The Doxology

(Standing) THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: *And with your spirit.*

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

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

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: *It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

Leader: It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation; in your love you made us for yourself. When we turned away, you did not reject us, but came to meet us in your Son.

People: *You embraced us as your children and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.*

Leader: In Christ you shared our life that we might live in him and he in us.

People: *He opened his arms of love upon the cross and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.*

Leader: On the night he was betrayed, at supper with his friends, he took bread, and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to them, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

People: *Father, we do this in remembrance of him; his body is the bread of life.*

Leader: At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine, he gave you thanks, and said: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins; do this in remembrance of me.

People: *Father, we do this in remembrance of him: his blood is shed for all.*

Leader: As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory, send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

People: *As we eat and drink these holy gifts make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.*

Leader: With your whole Church throughout the world we offer you this sacrifice of praise and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven: *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.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER (together)

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, forever and ever. Amen

In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love what depths of peace
When fears are stilled when strivings cease
My Comforter my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

Take My Life and Let It Be

Take my life and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to Thee
Take my moments and my days;
let them flow in endless praise,
let them flow in endless praise

Take my hands and let them move
at the impulse of Thy love
Take my feet and let them be
swift and beautiful for Thee,
swift and beautiful for Thee

Take my voice and let me sing
always, only, for my King
Take my lips and let them be
filled with messages from Thee,
filled with messages from Thee

Take my silver and my gold;
not a mite would I withhold
Take my intellect and use
every power as Thou shalt choose,
every power as Thou shalt choose

Take my will and make it Thine;
it shall be no longer mine
Take my heart it is Thine own;
it shall be Thy royal throne,
it shall be Thy royal throne

Take my love; my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure store.
Take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for Thee,
ever, only, all for Thee

The Blessing

All of our problems: *We send to the cross of Christ* All of our difficulties: *We send to the cross of Christ*
All of the devil's works: *We send to the cross of Christ* And all of our hopes: *We set on the risen Lord!*

Leader: May God bless you and keep you, may his face shine upon you, may he be gracious unto you and give you peace. In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Leader: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

People: *Thanks be to God!*