



The Memorial Church of the Good Shepherd, Parkersburg, WV

November 10, 2024 8 AM & 10:15 AM

The Holy Eucharist: Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Participants in the Service:

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Lou Hays

8 AM: Chalicist & Intercessor: Greg Cigal

Lector: Greg Cigal

10:15 AM: Chalicist: David Cooper

Acolytes: Logan Houdyshell, Anthony Williams, Eva Crocker

Lector: Eva Crocker, Anthony Williams

Director of Music: Dennis Deem

Intercessor: Linda Crocker

Welcome Center: Linda & Tom Simpson

The Word of God

Prelude

“Gather Us In”

Marty Haugen

Processional Hymn #686 (10:15)

“Come, thou fount of every blessing”

Nettleton

The people standing, the Celebrant says

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

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Celebrant says

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 Gloria #S280 Glory to God in the highest and peace to his people on earth.
(sung at 10:15) 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

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The people may remain standing.

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

A Reading from the Book of Ruth (3:1-5; 4:13-17)

Naomi her mother-in-law said to Ruth, "My daughter, I need to seek some security for you, so that it may be well with you. Now here is our kinsman Boaz, with whose young women you have been working. See, he is winnowing barley tonight at the threshing floor. Now wash and anoint yourself, and put on your best clothes and go down to the threshing floor; but do not make yourself known to the man until he has finished eating and drinking. When he lies down, observe the place where he lies; then, go and uncover his feet and lie down; and he will tell you what to do." She said to her, "All that you tell me I will do." So Boaz took Ruth and she became his wife. When they came together, the Lord made her conceive, and she bore a son. Then the women said to Naomi, "Blessed be the Lord, who has not left you this day without next-of-kin; and may his name be renowned in Israel! He shall be to you a restorer of life and a nourisher of your old age; for your daughter-in-law who loves you, who is more to you than seven sons, has borne him." Then Naomi took the child and laid him in her bosom, and became his nurse. The women of the neighborhood gave him a name, saying, "A son has been born to Naomi." They named him Obed; he became the father of Jesse, the father of David.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 127

- 1 Unless the Lord builds the house, *
their labor is in vain who build it.
- 2 Unless the Lord watches over the city, *
in vain the watchman keeps his vigil.
- 3 It is in vain that you rise so early and go to bed so late; *
vain, too, to eat the bread of toil, for he gives to his beloved sleep.
- 4 Children are a heritage from the Lord, *
and the fruit of the womb is a gift.
- 5 Like arrows in the hand of a warrior *
are the children of one's youth.
- 6 Happy is the man who has his quiver full of them! *
he shall not be put to shame when he contends with his enemies in the gate.

A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews (9:24-28)

Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

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

The Sequence Hymn #396 (10:15) “Now thank we all our God”

Nun danket alle Gott

Then, all standing, the Celebrant reads the Gospel, first saying

People The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark (12:38-44)
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As Jesus taught, he said, “Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! They devour widows’ houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation.” He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, “Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.”

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Lou Hays

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, Form III *(led by Greg Cigal at 8 AM & Linda Crocker at 10:15 AM)*

Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for Sean our Presiding Bishop; Matthew our Bishop; for Lou our priest; for Katie Beth, our Rector-elect; and for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world, especially Joe our President, Jim and Mike our Governors, and for our local elected officials.
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

We pray for all who are ill, or in any trouble, need or sorrow, especially Jone, Deb, Vickie, Marcia, Peggy, Larry, Diane, David, Chris, Shauna, Eric, Peter, Mary, Ann, Dee, Heyward, Patsy, Audrey, Don, Amanda, Jay, Bob, Travis, Sterling, Joe, Lauren, Peter, Glen, Judy, Doris, Julia, Alana, Gary, John, David, Ellis, David, Chris, Wendy, Marlene, Hal, the People of Israel, Gaza, and Ukraine.

And we pray for any others we might name, either silently or aloud.
(Pause)

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

We pray for all who have died, especially Mary Bonnet and our loved ones who have gone before us, and for any others that we might now name, either silently or aloud.
(Pause)

Give to the departed eternal rest;
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

We give thanks for all of the blessings of this life, for the birthday of Denise Orem, for our family, friends and loved ones, and for any other thanksgivings we might now name, either silently or aloud.
(Pause)

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for Our upcoming Diocesan Convention, including all delegates and committees.

In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Church of South India.

The altar flowers are given to the glory of Almighty God in thanksgiving for Bob Crocker's speedy recovery by his wife, Linda; and in thanksgiving for the birthday of Denise Orem by Mary Gevas.

Please join me in the Prayer for This Stage of the Transition

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for bringing the Reverend Katie Beth Miksa to serve as our new Rector. We thank you for guiding the Discernment Committee, Vestry, and Katie Beth. We believe that you have brought Katie Beth and us together, and we ask your continued blessings on her and our parish as we await the First Sunday of Advent when we will begin our new ministry together. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

Celebrant says

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Celebrant and People

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

The priest says

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

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements

Offertory Sentences

Offertory Anthem

“Come and Find the Quiet Center”

Shirley Erena Murray

Doxology Hymn #380 (vs. 3) (10:15)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Blessing of the Pledges

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer B

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People 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.

Here a Proper Preface is said.

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:

Celebrant and People

Sanctus (8AM) 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.

Sanctus # S130
(sung at 10:15) 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.

The people remain standing. Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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,

People and Celebrant

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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then is said

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Response: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, followed by those present.

Communion Anthem (10:15)

"Kyrie"

Ancient Greek

Post Communion Hymn #178 (10:15) "Alleluia, alleluia, Give thanks to the risen Lord" *Alleluia No. 1*

After Communion, the Celebrant says:

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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

Recessional Hymn #475 (10:15)

“God himself is with us”

Tysk

The Celebrant, dismisses the people with these words

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

“Go Now in Peace” (sung once & then as a 3 part round when bell ringers are present)

Go now in peace;

go now in peace.

May the love of God surround you

everywhere, everywhere

you may go

Please remain for the postlude as you are able.

Postlude

“Let the Praise Go Round”

William Boyce

Good Shepherd Parish Prayer List

(Please use this to pray for these people throughout the week)

The People of Israel and Gaza

Marcia Doyle – healing

Eric Dailey – healing

The People of Ukraine

Peggy Roberts - healing

Peter Gevas – healing

Dee Milhoan – strength/healing

John Stevens – healing

Mary Gevas – healing

Jone Johnson – healing/strength

Diane Cottrill – healing

Ann Stevens– healing

Deb Hepburn-McKinney – healing

David Cottrill - healing

Amanda Morris - healing

Vickie Dilley – healing/strength

Chris Heckman – healing

Heyward Roberts - healing

Don Henthorne – strength/healing

Jay Lathrop – healing

Shauna Hyde – healing

Travis Williams – healing/strength

Bob Crocker – healing

Safety for all those serving in the Armed Forces

Sterling Slusher, Joee Slusher, Lauren Fielder, Peter Keiser

Those needing healing from cancer

Glen Kirk

Julia Lee

Marlene Cox

Ellis Corra

Judy McCoy

Alana Dailey

David White

Chris Angotti

Doris Lowe

Gary Greer

David Nevins

Wendy Meridith

Hal Foss

Deaths: Mary Bonnet (former parishioner)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Blessing of the Pledges - This morning we will bless all of the pledges received (31 as of Wednesday). If you brought your pledge card with you, please place it in the offering plate so that it can be included in the blessing. We are very grateful for every pledge and the generosity and commitment it represents! Your pledge will enable robust mission and ministry as we walk in love with Katie Beth+ starting the First Sunday of Advent. While today marks the formal end of our *Walk in Love as Christ Loved Us* stewardship campaign, we invite further pledges as you are able.

Adopted Families Toiletry Bags – We are collecting items for toiletry bags for each family. A list of items and bags to put them in are outside the parish office.

Quarterly Pledge Statements – Please help us save postage by picking up your 3rd Qtr. Pledge Statement in the Narthex today .

Bible Study – The times of the 2 Bible Study groups led by David Cooper have changed. One group meets from 4:15 – 5:15 PM and is discussing the Letter to the Romans. The other group meets from 5:15 – 6:15PM and is studying First Samuel.

Open Altar Flower dates: Two vases are available on Dec. 29. Contact Ginger in the office with your requests.

Choir Practice – Choir Practice is back in swing on Wednesday evenings at 5:30. Come make a joyful noise with us!

Bags for the Food Pantry – Please save your used plastic bags from Kroger, Walmart, Piggly-Wiggly, etc. and bring them to us. We double them up to use in the food pantry and for the homeless. We use 1200 – 1600 single bags each month!

Rummage Sale Needs – The Rummage sale is in need of Christmas decorations and trees, pots and pans and household small appliances.