

The Church of the Holy Cross
Valle Crucis, North Carolina
An Order for "Webcast" Worship
The Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost
October 18, 2020
Morning Prayer, Rite II

The Greetings and Announcements

Hymn: #544

"Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun"

Duke Street

1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun doth his suc -
2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es
3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - ery tongue dwell on his
4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: the pris - oners
5 Let ev - ery crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar

1 ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from
2 throng to crown his head; his Name like sweet per -
3 love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es
4 leap to lose their chains, the wea - ry find e -
5 hon - ors to our King; an - gels de - scend with

1 shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.
2 fume shall rise with ev - ery morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
3 shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his Name.
4 ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.
5 songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men.

All remain standing.

Opening Sentence:

BCP 78

(†) Grace to you and peace from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ. *Philippians 1:2*

Confession of Sin:

BCP 79

Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to set forth God's praise, to hear God's holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship God, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by God's infinite goodness and mercy.

(Silence is kept)

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:

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.

People: Amen.

The Invitatory and Psalter:

BCP 80

Lord, open our lips:

People: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. Alleluia!

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness:

BCP 81

People: Come let us adore him.

The Jubilate: *(Psalm 100)* *(Prayed aloud in Unison)*

BCP 82

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; *

**serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.**

Know this: The Lord himself is God; *

**he himself has made us, and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**

Enter his gates with thanksgiving;

**go into his courts with praise; *
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.**

For the Lord is good;

**his mercy is everlasting; *
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.**

All are seated for the lessons from scripture.

The Lessons

The First Lesson:

Exodus 33:12-23

Moses said to the Lord, "See, you have said to me, 'Bring up this people'; but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, 'I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.' Now if I have found favor in your sight, show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favor in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people." He said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." And he said to him, "If your presence will not go, do not carry us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth."

The Lord said to Moses, "I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name." Moses said, "Show me your glory, I pray." And he said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, 'The Lord'; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But," he said, "you cannot see my face; for no one shall see me and live." And the Lord continued, "See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock; and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen."

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Psalm: Psalm 99

*(Prayed responsively as noted in **Bold** type)*

Dominus regnavit

- 1 The Lord is King; let the people tremble; *
he is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.
- 2 **The Lord is great in Zion; ***
he is high above all peoples.
- 3 Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; *
he is the Holy One.
- 4 **"O mighty King, lover of justice,**
you have established equity; *
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."
- 5 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God
and fall down before his footstool; *
he is the Holy One.
- 6 **Moses and Aaron among his priests,**
and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, *
they called upon the Lord, and he answered them.
- 7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; *
they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.
- 8 **O Lord our God, you answered them indeed; ***
you were a God who forgave them,
yet punished them for their evil deeds.
- 9 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God
and worship him upon his holy hill; *
for the Lord our God is the Holy One.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

A time for silent reflection follows.

The Second Lesson:**1 Thessalonians 1:1-10**

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace.

We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead-- Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

The Response: Canticle 10: “The Second Song of Isaiah” *(Proclaimed aloud in Unison)*

BCP 86

Isaiah 55:6-11

Seek the Lord while he wills to be found; *
call upon him when he draws near.
 Let the wicked forsake their ways *
and the evil ones their thoughts;
And let them turn to the Lord, and he will have compassion, *
and to our God, for he will richly pardon.
For my thoughts are not your thoughts, *
nor your ways my ways, says the Lord.
For as the heavens are higher than the earth, *
so are my ways higher than your ways,
and my thoughts than your thoughts.
For as rain and snow fall from the heavens *
and return not again, but water the earth,
Bringing forth life and giving growth, *
seed for sowing and bread for eating,
So is my word that goes forth from my mouth; *
it will not return to me empty;
But it will accomplish that which I have purposed, *
and prosper in that for which I sent it.
 Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

A time for silent reflection follows.

The Third Lesson:**Matthew 22:15-22**

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?” But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, “Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax.”

And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, “Whose head is this, and whose title?” They answered, “The emperor’s.” Then he said to them, “Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor’s, and to God the things that are God’s.” When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Sermon:

The Rev. R. Allan McCaslin, Rector

A period of silence for reflection follows the sermon. Please remain seated until the Altar Ministers stand.

The Apostles’ Creed:

BCP 96

**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 power of 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.**

The Peace:

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

The people greet one another in the Name of the Lord.

The Offertory:

Offertory Sentence: Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

Offertory Anthem:

“The Servant Song”

Richard Gillard

*Andrea McDonough, lead vocals, Brett McDonough, guitar, Robin Whitley, mandolin and vocals
Scott Kallestad, flute, Elaine Kallestad, organ and vocals*

The Presentation Hymn: #411

“O Bless the Lord, My Soul”

St. Thomas

(Verse 1 Only)

**O bless the Lord, my soul!
His grace to thee proclaim!
And all that is within me join
To bless his Holy Name!**

The Prayers

BCP 97

People: The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray.

(All kneel as they are able.)

The Lord's Prayer:

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.

The Suffrages:

(Suffrage A)

BCP 97

- V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
R. And grant us your salvation.
- V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
R. Let your people sing with joy.
- V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
R. For only in you can we live in safety.
- V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
- V. Let your way be known upon earth;
R. Your saving health among all nations.
- V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
- V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

The following prayers are now offered:

The Collect of the Day:

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A Collect for Peace:

BCP 99

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Collect for Grace:**BCP 100**

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Collect for Mission:**BCP 100**

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Prayer for Election Season:*(from the Episcopal Diocese of Arkansas)*

Loving God, creator of this world who is the source of our wisdom and understanding: we pray for this nation that is deeply divided. We pray for places that are torn by violence, or that struggle with inequality or unrest, that they may know peace. Help us act out of love, mercy, and justice rather than out of arrogance or fear.

Guide us through this election as a nation, state, and community as we vote for people to do work on our behalf and on the behalf of our communities so that they may reflect the values Christ taught us.

May we come together for the common good and do as you have called us to do – to act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you through creation. Help us to listen in love, work together in peace, and collaborate with one another as we seek the betterment of our world. May we all work toward reconciliation with one another and with God.

All these things we ask through our Savior, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

*Authorized intercessions and thanksgivings now follow.***BCP 101**

We pray for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury, for Michael our Presiding Bishop, for José our Bishop, for Allan our Priest, and for all clergy and people.

We pray for Donald, our President, Roy, our Governor, for our elected officials, and all in civil authority, that they may seek justice and mercy in all things and do that which is right for the health and welfare of all people.

We pray for the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphaned, for those who are alone and ache for the warmth of human touch, and for those who fear for the future.

We pray for the sick and the suffering, for those whose livelihoods, health, employment and that of their families, friends, and neighbors have been affected by the Covid-19 pandemic.

We pray for those in harm's way, for those affected by natural disasters and perils of humankind's own making, and for healthcare workers and responders at home and abroad.

And we pray for those whom we name aloud at this time: *(The people speak aloud the names on their hearts. The Leader concludes saying,)*

Lord in your mercy,
People: Hear our prayer.

We pray for those who travel this week.

We pray for the grace to demonstrate in our words and lives the Five Marks of Mission of the Anglican Communion, especially, "To teach, baptize, and nurture new believers."

We pray for those who have died.

Continued ...

We give thanks for Dayton Cole, Rebecca McDonough, Floyd Townsend, Janice Russell, Sally James, Patty Adams, Jenny Copeland, and all who celebrate birthdays this week; and we also give thanks for John & Rebecca Pendergast, Ted Ponko & Jane Blackburn, and all who celebrate wedding anniversaries this week, and ask Almighty God to,

**Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase;
bless and guide them wherever they may be.
Strengthen them when they stand;
comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful;
raise them up if they fall;
and in their heart may your peace which passes understanding
abide with them all the days of their lives;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Episcopal Church.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. Luke's, Asheville, St. Luke's, Boone, and St. Luke's, Lincolnton.

We give thanks for all who serve as "*Linen Fairies*", and for all the ministries of this parish and pray that God will continue to bless all who partake of, or serve, in them. **Amen.**

The General Thanksgiving:

BCP 101

Priest: Let us pray.

Priest and People:

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.**

(All Stand)

The Dismissal and Benediction:

BCP 102

Priest: Let us bless the Lord

***People:* Thanks be to God.**

Priest: The (†) grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with us all evermore.

***People:* Amen.**



1 Where cross the crowd - ed ways of life, where sound the
 2 In haunts of wretch - ed - ness and need, on sha - dowed
 3 The cup of wa - ter given for thee still holds the
 4 O Mas - ter, from the moun - tain side, make haste to
 5 till all the world shall learn thy love, and fol - low



1 cries of race and clan, a - bove the noise of
 2 thresh - olds dark with fears, from paths where hide the
 3 fresh - ness of thy grace; yet long these mul - ti -
 4 heal these hearts of pain; a - mong these rest - less
 5 where thy feet have trod; till glo - rious from thy



1 self - ish strife, we hear thy voice, O Son of Man.
 2 lures of greed, we catch the vi - sion of thy tears.
 3 tudes to see the true com - pas - sion of thy face.
 4 throgs a - bide, O tread the ci - ty's streets a - gain;
 5 heaven a - bove, shall come the ci - ty of our God.

Words: Frank Mason North (1850-1935), alt. Music: *Gardiner*, from *Sacred Melodies*, 1815; arr. William Gardiner (1770-1853)

Postlude:

“Toccata in F Minor”

Carlos Seixas

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We thank those who served this Morning:

Presiding Clergy:	Rev. Allan McCaslin, Rector
Lay Assistant:	Nina-Jo Moore
Lector:	Floyd Townsend
Organist:	Elaine Kallestad
Choristers:	Elaine Kallestad, Margaret Love, Scott Kallestad, Keith Martin

Next Sunday, October 25, 2020

The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost – Two Opportunities to Worship!

8:30 am - “In-Person” Holy Eucharist, Rite II, (no music)

Due to Covid -19 restrictions on the number of permitted attendees,

Advance Reservations, Masks, & Social Distancing Required

10:00 am - “Online” Morning Prayer, Rite II

Participate online via the Church “Youtube” Channel available through the parish website at:

www.holycrossvallecrucis.net

The Parish Prayer List: October 18, 2020

Please keep the following in your prayers this week:

For Healing: Our injured and disabled military personnel, our veterans, all civilians harmed in conflict, and for Lynda, Barbara, Robert, Jett, Sonny, Stuart, Philip, Dayton, Mike & Amy, Delores, Ernestine, Tony, Luke, Clive, Laura B., Bernie, Lindsay, Antonia, Bill, Lenny, Keely, Ted, Mary & Ernie, Arthur & Karen, Bob & Dottie, David, Mary S., Ted L., Smut, Susan S., Manny, Tracy & Debra, Maria, Humberto, Sperry, Dennis, Bert, John, Pete, Sis, Marlene, Dianne, Cathy, David, Ray, Ruth, Patty C., Lisa, Barry & Jan, Tav, Richard, Bob, Carla M., Janice B., Mason, Polly, Carol Mc., Tracy M., Kathy L., Joanne M., Jane, Patty S., Louise A., Lee M., Freya, Donna K., Sherry R., Gini H., Belle R., Summer, Gayle, Wendell, Alan B., Melissa H., Kathy W., Carol S., _____.

For those in Harm’s Way: John, Harrison, Chris, Ian, all Peace Corps workers & volunteers, all who serve in armed forces, and all health and relief workers at home and throughout the world.

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