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**PRIDE MASS  
THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II**

**June 10, 2023..... 5:00 p.m.**

The Rev. Garrett Boyte, *Celebrant*

*The liturgy is found in the red Book of Common Prayer (Prayer Book).  
Hymns and Service Music (S) are in the blue Hymnal 1982.*

**ORGAN PRELUDE..... Wondrous Love: Variations on a Shape-Note Hymn.... Samuel Barber (1910-1981)**

**THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**THE WORD OF GOD**

**HYMN 448 ..... O love, how deep, how broad, how high!..... DEUS TUORUM MILITUM**

**OPENING ACCLAMATION**

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

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

**COLLECT FOR PURITY..... Prayer Book, page 355**

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.**

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO ..... Hymn 421 ..... ALLEIN GOTT**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Almighty God, who created us in your own image: Grant us grace fearlessly to contend against evil and to make no peace with oppression; and, that we may reverently use our freedom, help us to employ it in the maintenance of justice in our communities and among the nations, to the glory of your holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**THE FIRST LESSON** ..... 1 Samuel 18:1-5

*Lector* A reading from the First Book of Samuel.

When David had finished speaking to Saul, the soul of Jonathan was bound to the soul of David, and Jonathan loved him as his own soul. Saul took him that day and would not let him return to his father's house. Then Jonathan made a covenant with David, because he loved him as his own soul. Jonathan stripped himself of the robe that he was wearing, and gave it to David, and his armor, and even his sword and his bow and his belt. David went out and was successful wherever Saul sent him; as a result, Saul set him over the army. And all the people, even the servants of Saul, approved.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

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

**PSALM 35** (*read in unison*)

1 Fight those who fight me, O LORD; \*  
attack those who are attacking me.

2 Take up shield and armor \*  
and rise up to help me.

3 Draw the sword and bar the way  
against those who pursue me; \*  
say to my soul, "I am your salvation."

4 Let those who seek after my life  
be shamed and humbled; \*  
let those who plot my ruin  
fall back and be dismayed.

5 Let them be like chaff before the wind, \*  
and let the angel of the LORD  
drive them away.

6 Let their way be dark and slippery, \*  
and let the angel of the LORD pursue them.

7 For they have secretly spread a net for me  
without a cause; \*  
without a cause they have dug a pit to take me alive.

8 Let ruin come upon them unawares; \*  
let them be caught in the net they hid;  
let them fall into the pit they dug.

9 Then I will be joyful in the LORD; \*  
I will glory in his victory.

10 My very bones will say, "LORD, who is like you? \*  
You deliver the poor from those  
who are too strong for them,  
the poor and needy  
from those who rob them."

11 Malicious witnesses rise up against me; \*  
they charge me with matters  
I know nothing about.

12 They pay me evil in exchange for good; \*  
my soul is full of despair.

13 But when they were sick I dressed in sack-cloth \*  
and humbled myself by fasting.

14 I prayed with my whole heart,  
as one would for a friend or a brother; \*  
I behaved like one who mourns for his mother,  
bowed down and grieving.

15 But when I stumbled,  
they were glad and gathered together;  
they gathered against me; \*  
strangers whom I did not know  
tore me to pieces and would not stop.

16 They put me to the test and mocked me; \*  
they gnashed at me with their teeth.

17 O Lord, how long will you look on? \*  
rescue me from the roaring beasts,  
and my life from the young lions.

18 I will give you thanks in the great congregation; \*  
I will praise you in the mighty throng.

19 Do not let my treacherous foes rejoice over me, \*  
nor let those who hate me without a cause  
wink at each other.

20 For they do not plan for peace, \*  
but invent deceitful schemes  
against the quiet in the land.

21 They opened their mouths at me and said, \*  
“Aha! we saw it with our own eyes.”

22 You saw it, O LORD; do not be silent; \*  
O Lord, be not far from me.

23 Awake, arise, to my cause! \*  
to my defense, my God and my Lord!

24 Give me justice, O LORD my God,  
according to your righteousness; \*  
do not let them triumph over me.

25 Do not let them say in their hearts,  
“Aha! just what we want!” \*  
Do not let them say,  
“We have swallowed him up.”

26 Let all who rejoice at my ruin  
be ashamed and disgraced; \*  
let those who boast against me  
be clothed with dismay and shame.

27 Let those who favor my cause  
sing out with joy and be glad; \*  
let them say always, “Great is the LORD,  
who desires the prosperity of his servant.”

28 And my tongue  
shall be talking of your righteousness \*  
and of your praise all the day long.

THE EPISTLE.....Ephesians 3:14-21

Lector A reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians.

I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded

in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

*Lector*            The Word of the Lord.

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

**HYMN** ..... Great God, your love has called us here ..... ANTHONY  
*The hymn may be found on the following page.*

**THE HOLY GOSPEL** ..... Luke 6:20-31

*Deacon*            The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Luke.

*People*            **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus looked up at his disciples and said:

“Blessed are you who are poor,  
for yours is the kingdom of God.

“Blessed are you who are hungry now,  
for you will be filled.

“Blessed are you who weep now,  
for you will laugh.

“Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.”

“But woe to you who are rich,  
for you have received your consolation.

“Woe to you who are full now,  
for you will be hungry.

“Woe to you who are laughing now,  
for you will mourn and weep.

“Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

“But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.”

*Deacon*            The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*            **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

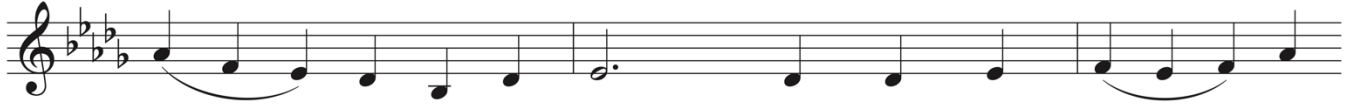
**SERMON**..... The Rev. Deacon Michael Parham

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** Form IV..... Prayer Book, page 388

When the intercessor says, “Lord, in your mercy,” the People respond, **“Hear our prayer.”**



1. Great God, your love \_\_\_\_\_ has called us here, as we, by  
 2. We come with self - in - flict - ed pains of bro - ken  
 3. Great God, in Christ \_\_\_\_\_ you call our name and then re -  
 4. Then take the towel, \_\_\_\_\_ and break the bread, and hum - ble  
 5. Great God, in Christ \_\_\_\_\_ you set us free your life to



love, \_\_\_\_\_ for love were made. Your liv - ing like - ness  
 trust \_\_\_\_\_ and cho - sen wrong, half - free, half - bound \_\_\_\_\_ by  
 ceive \_\_\_\_\_ us as your own, not through some mer - it,  
 us \_\_\_\_\_ and call us friends. Suf - fer and serve \_\_\_\_\_ till  
 live, \_\_\_\_\_ your joy to share. Give us your Spi - rit's



still we bear, though marred, dis - hon - ored, dis - o - beyed.  
 in - ner chains, by so - cial for - ces swept a - long,  
 right or claim but by your gra - cious love a - lone.  
 all are fed and show how grand - ly love in - tends  
 li - ber - ty to turn from guilt \_\_\_\_\_ and dull de - spair



We come with all \_\_\_\_\_ our heart and mind your call to  
 by powers and sys - tems close con - fined, yet seek - ing  
 We strain to glimpse \_\_\_\_\_ your mer - cy seat and find you  
 to work till all \_\_\_\_\_ cre - a - tion sings, to fill all  
 and of - fer all \_\_\_\_\_ that faith can do while love is



hear, \_\_\_\_\_ your love to find.  
 hope \_\_\_\_\_ for hu - man - kind.  
 kneel - ing at our feet.  
 worlds, \_\_\_\_\_ to crown all things.  
 mak - ing all things new.

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CONFESSION OF SIN

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*All kneel as able.*

**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 Priest stands and 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*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

ORGAN .....Lullaby, from *Suite No. 2* ..... Calvin Hampton (1938-1984)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING – EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B .....Prayer Book, page 367

*All stand at the invitation of the Celebrant.*

*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.**

*The Celebrant proceeds with the fixed and Proper Preface until saying*

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:

SANCTUS S-125..... Richard Proulx (1937-2010), *A Community Mass*

*The people stand or kneel.*

Then the Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Canon until saying  
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 until the following Doxology:*

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,

**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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then all sing*

FRACTION ANTHEM S-161 .....David Hurd (b. 1950), *New Plainsong*  
*All Baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Eucharist in The Episcopal Church. If you are not comfortable receiving the Eucharist, you are invited to receive a blessing instead. Simply cross your arms over your chest at the altar rail to indicate that you would prefer a blessing. You are also welcome to remain seated. We encourage you to do whatever is authentic to your beliefs and comfortable to your convictions.*

**AT THE ADMINISTRATION**

**ORGAN** ..... Variations on "O God, thou righteous God" ..... Ethel Smyth (1858-1944)  
**HYMN 469** ..... There's a wideness in God's mercy ..... ST. HELENA

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION .....Prayer Book, page 365

*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.**

**THE BLESSING**

*The Celebrant blesses the people, and the people respond*   **Amen.**

**THE DISMISSAL**

*The Deacon dismisses the people, and the people respond*   **Thanks be to God.**

**HYMN 379** .....God is love, let heav'n adore him ..... **ABBOT'S LEIGH**

**ORGAN POSTLUDE**.....Now thank we all our God .....**J.S. Bach (1685-1750),**  
**arr. Virgil Fox (1912-1980)**

*All are invited to a festive reception in the undercroft following the service.*

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