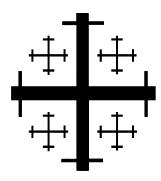
Pentecost XV

1 September, 2024 8 & 11 am



The Liturgy at Calvary



Jesus protests against human customs being given the weight of divine law, while the essence of God's law is ignored.

True uncleanness comes not from external things, but from the intentions of the human heart. Last week Jesus told us "the words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life" (John 6:63). Now James says God has given us birth by the word of truth.

We who were washed in the word when we were born in the font return to it every Sunday to ask God to create in us clean hearts.

[8] All Glory Be to God on High
Allein Gott In Der Hoh' Sei Her Nikolaus Decius 1485-1546
J.S. Bach 1685-1750 Ed. Charles Callahan 1951-2023

[11] Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring from Cantata <u>Herz und Mund</u> <u>und Tat und Leben</u> BWV 147 J.S. Bach Sanctuary Choir

Jesu, joy of man's desiring Holy wisdom, love most bright Drawn by Thee, our souls aspiring Soar to uncreated light Word of God, our flesh that fashioned With the fire of life impassioned Striving still to truth unknown Soaring, dying round Thy throne

Through the way where hope is guiding, Hark, what peaceful music rings; Where the flock, in Thee confiding, Drink of joy from deathless springs. Theirs is beauty's fairest pleasure; Theirs is wisdom's holiest treasure. Thou dost ever lead Thine own In the love of joys unknow

Please stand & face the Baptismal Font

- P In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen

P Beloved children of God, we give thanks for the gift of baptism as we come now to make public confession.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom 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 Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- P Most merciful God,
- C we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

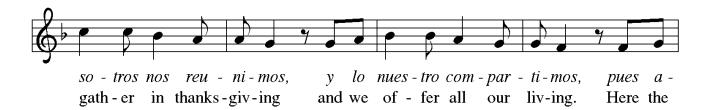
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God Extends an Invitation

Nuestro Padre nos invita







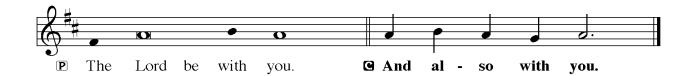


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- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.







P Let us pray... O God our strength, without you we are weak and wayward creatures. Protect us from all dangers that attack us from the outside and cleanse us from all evil that arises from within ourselves, that we may be preserved through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

First Reading: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

¹So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the LORD, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. ²You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the LORD your God with which I am charging you.

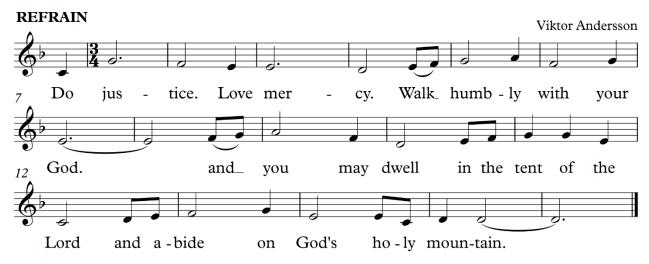
⁶You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, "Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!" ⁷For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is whenever we call to him? ⁸And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today?

⁹But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 15



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- Have integrity. Do what is right. Speak the truth from your heart. Slander no one and do no harm nor cast any shame on your neighbor.

 REFRAIN
- 2. Swear an oath to abhor and despise vile and dishonest rogues. Let not greed take hold of you. Stand firm. Be strong in your oath.

 REFRAIN

Second Reading: James 1:17-27

¹⁷Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. ¹⁸In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

¹⁹You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; ²⁰for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. ²¹Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.

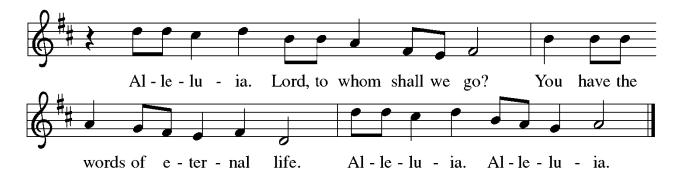
²²But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive

themselves. ²³For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; ²⁴for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. ²⁵But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing.

²⁶If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. ²⁷Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

- L The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Holy Gospel



P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 7th chapter



¹Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around [Jesus], ²they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. ³(For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; ⁴and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) ⁵So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?" ⁶He said to them, "Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written,

'This people honors me with their lips,

but their hearts are far from me;

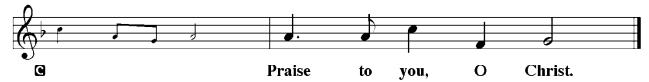
⁷in vain do they worship me,

teaching human precepts as doctrines.'

⁸You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition."

¹⁴Then he called the crowd again and said to them, "Listen to me, all of you, and understand: ¹⁵there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.

²¹"For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, ²²adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. ²³All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."



Sermon Pr. Kyle

Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil



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A Let us profess the faith in which we are Baptized:

All 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 into hell. 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

- A Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.
 - after each prayer petition
- A Lord in your mercy,
- C Hear our prayer. concluding with
- P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.
- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.

Please greet one another in the name of the Lord

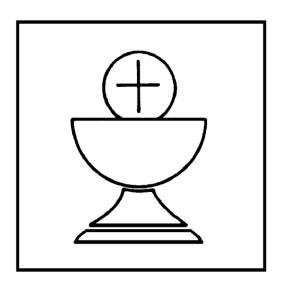


Please stand as our gifts are presented, singing,

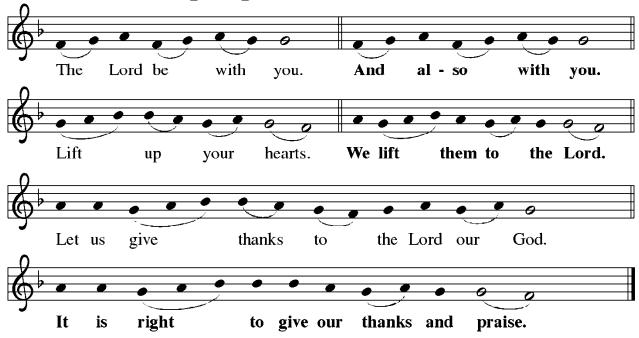




- A Let us pray. Merciful Father,
- C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our lord. Amen

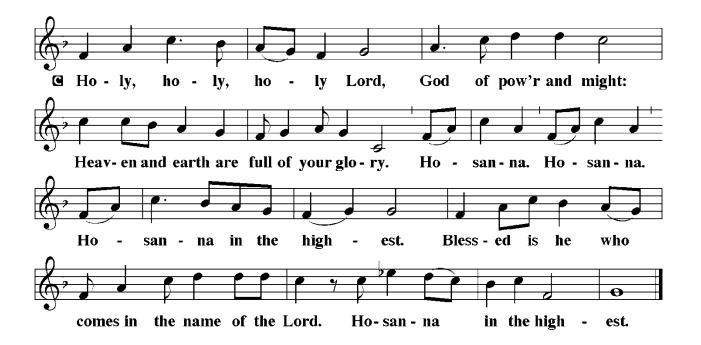






P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you ...

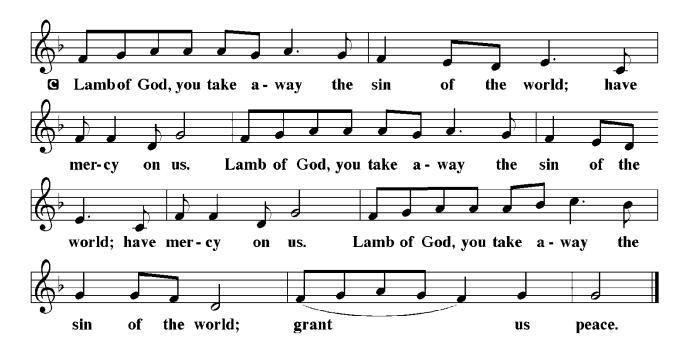
And so with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer



- P Remember us in your kingdom, O Lord, and teach us to pray.
- ALL 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
- P Body of Christ given for you. Blood of Christ shed for you.





In-Person:

All are welcome to commune at the Altar. Ushers will guide. Wine is Red Grape Juice is White Gluten-free wafers available upon request.

Online at Home:

If you have elements at home, commune with those in attendance at the same time. We encourage you to communion each other and bless children who have not received First Communion.

Consider giving this blessing:

"Know that the promises of Jesus's love are for you."

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service



Text: Albert F. Bayly, 1901–1984 Music: BEACH SPRING, *The Sacred Harp*, Philadelphia, 1844; arr. *Selected Hymns*, 1985 Text © 1961 Oxford University Press. Arr. © 1985 Augsburg Fortress.

Take My Life, That I May Be

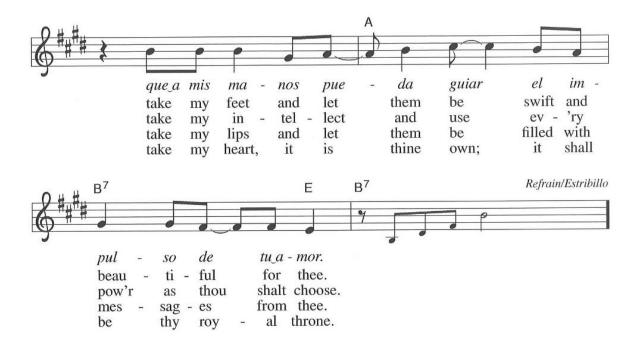
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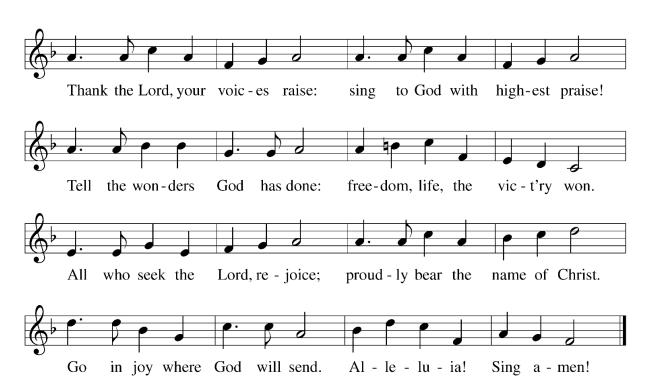
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P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

C Amen



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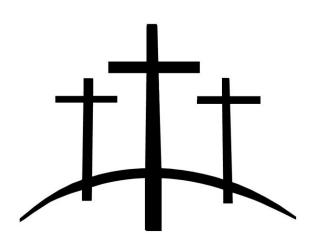
Music: ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR, George J. Elvey, 1816–1893

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A Let us pray... Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask.
As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

C Amen

C Amen



Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing



Text: attr. John Fawcett, 1740–1817, sts. 1–2, alt.; Godfrey Thring, 1823–1903, st. 3, alt. Music: SICILIAN MARINERS, Sicilian, 18th cent.

A Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

Postlude: *Prelude & Fugue in Bb Major*George Frideric Handel
1685-1759

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Ushers & Greeters		Monica Neeley, Sid & Chris Connor and Eddie Wilkerson
Altar Guild		

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Upcoming Commemorations

Nikolai Frederik Severin Grundtvig, bishop, renewer of the church, died 1872 Monday, September 2, 2024

Grundtvig was, with Søren Kierkegaard, one of the two great Danish theologians of the nineteenth century. As a pastor, he battled the prevalent idea that Christianity was more a philosophy than divine revelation. He wrote over a thousand hymns.