

Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Sunday, November 22, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. via Livestream *Christ the King (Year A)*

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church & Richmond, Virginia

Opening Voluntary Londonderry Air

arr. Sunita Staneslow



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

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Prayer Book, page 236

Celebrant Let us pray. Silence is kept.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Hymn 382 King of glory, King of peace (V. 1 sung by cantor; V. 2 and 3 sung by all)

General Seminary



The Gospel Matthew 25:31-46

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

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

The Sermon The Rev. Claudia W. Merritt Please sit.

Prayers for Ourselves and Others Please stand.

Celebrant Let us pray for the church and the world.

Leader We bring to God someone whom we have met or remembered today and for whom we want to pray.

Silence

Celebrant Lord, in your mercy

All Hear our prayer.

Leader We bring to God someone who is hurting this day and needs our prayer.

Silence

Celebrant Lord, in your mercy All Hear our prayer.

Leader We bring to God a troubled situation in our world this day.

Silence

Celebrant Lord, in your mercy All Hear our prayer.

Leader We bring to God someone whom we find hard to forgive or trust.

Silence

Celebrant Lord, in your mercy All Hear our prayer.

Leader We bring to God our gratitude for all that is lovely, gracious and true.

Silence

Celebrant Lord, in your mercy All Hear our prayer.

Leader We bring ourselves to God.

People that we might be healed and drawn to love each other as God loves us. Amen.

The Peace Prayer Book, page 360

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Welcome and Announcements

The Holy Communion

Voluntary Fleurs Francis Poulenc

At the Presentation Sung by all, standing. Old 100th

The fruits of our labor are presented to God, along with gifts for our food ministry.

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.

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer B

Prayer Book, page 367

The people remain standing.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

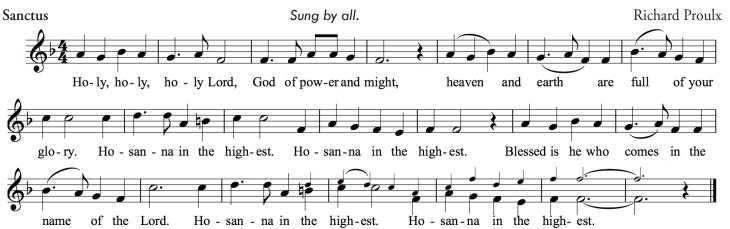
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant 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

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;

Celebrant

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 blessed Stephen, the Blessed Virgin Mary, and 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,

Celebrant and People

Prayer Book, page 364

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.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you,

and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

After Communion, the Celebrant says Let us pray.

All Lord Jesus Christ,

you have put your life into our hands; now we put our lives into yours.

Take us, renew us and remake us.

What we have been is past;

what we shall be, through you, still awaits us.

Lead us on.

Take us with you.

Amen.

The Blessing

Dismissal Prayer Book, page 366

Leader Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Hymn 494 (Verses 1, 2, and 5)

Crown him with many crowns

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Voluntary Trumpet Tune in D

David N. Johnson