

Prince of Peace



**WHOEVER
WELCOMES
YOU**

**WELCOMES
ME**

Matthew 10.40

Prelude Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the Holy Trinity + one God,
the one who fashions us,
the one who heals us,
the one who reforms us again and again. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin, calling for God's transforming power.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Source of all life, **we confess that we have not allowed your grace to set us free. We fear that we are not good enough. We hear your word of love freely given to us, yet we expect others to earn it. We turn the church inward, rather than moving it outward. Forgive us. Stir us. Reform us to be a church powered by love, willing to speak for what is right, act for what is just, and seek the healing of your whole creation. Amen.**

God hears our cry and sends the Spirit to change us and to empower our lives in the world. Our sins are forgiven, † God's love is unconditional, and we are raised up as God's people who will always be made new, in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn "The Church's One Foundation" 654 Aurelia

1. The church's one foundation
is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
She is his new creation
by water and the word.
From heav'n he came and sought her
to be his holy bride;
With his own blood he bought her,
and for her life he died.

2. Elect from ev'ry nation,
yet one o'er all the earth,
her charter of salvation
One Lord, one faith, one birth:
one holy name she blesses,
partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses
With ev'ry grace endued.

3. Though with a scornful wonder
 This world sees her oppressed,
 By schisms..rent asunder,
 By heresies distressed, of
 Yet saints their watch are keeping;
 Their cry goes up: "How long?"
 And soon the night of weeping
 Shall be the morn of song.

4. Through toil and tribulation
 and tumult of her war,
 she waits the consummation
 peace forevermore;
 till with the vision glorious
 her longing eyes are blest,
 and the great church victorious
 Shall be the church at rest.

5. Yet she on earth has union with God, the three in One,
 And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won.
 Oh, blessed heav'nly chorus! Lord, save us by your grace,
 That we, like saints before us, may see you face to face.

Greeting

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

Kyrie

Leader

In peace, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Assembly

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have

For the reign of God, and for

mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

peace through-out the world, for the u-ni-ty of all, let us pray to the

Lord. For your
 Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.
 peo - ple here who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your
 word, let us pray to the Lord.
 Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have
 Help, save, and de - fend us, O God.
 mer - cy. A - men.

Hymn of Praise



1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. O God, you direct our lives by your grace, and your words of justice and mercy reshape the world. Mold us into a people who welcome your word and serve one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

First Reading: Jeremiah 28.5-9

⁵The prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the Lord; ⁶ and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the Lord do so; may the Lord fulfill the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the Lord, and all the exiles. ⁷But listen now to this word that I speak in

your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. ⁸The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. ⁹As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the Lord has truly sent the prophet.”

Lector: The Word of the Lord

Congregation: **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 89. 1-4, 15-18



¹Your love, O Lord, forever will I sing;
from age to age my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness.

**²For I am persuaded that your steadfast love is established forever;
you have set your faithfulness firmly in the heavens.**

³“I have made a covenant with my chosen one;
I have sworn an oath to David my servant:

**⁴‘I will establish your line forever,
and preserve your throne for all generations.’ ”**

¹⁵Happy are the people who know the festal shout!
They walk, O Lord, in the light of your presence.

**¹⁶They rejoice daily in your name;
they are jubilant in your righteousness.**

¹⁷For you are the glory of their strength,
and by your favor our might is exalted.

**¹⁸Truly, our shield belongs to the Lord;
our king to the Holy One of Israel.**

The Second Reading: Romans 6.12-23

¹²Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. ¹³No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life,

and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. ¹⁴For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. ¹⁵What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! ¹⁶Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? ¹⁷But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, ¹⁸and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. ¹⁹I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.

²⁰When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. ²¹So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. ²²But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. ²³For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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Gospel Acclamation



Gospel: Matthew 10.40-42

The gospel is announced. The holy gospel according to Saint Matthew the tenth chapter.

Congregation: **Glory to you O, Lord.**

⁴⁰ Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. ⁴¹ Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will

receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; ⁴² and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple-truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

The gospel of the Lord.

Congregation: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Children's Sermon Sermon

Pastor Jeff Johnson

Pastor Beatrice Michals-Brown

Pastor Kenneth Hilston, Jr

Hymn of the Day "All Who Love and Serve Your City" New Orleans

1. All who love and serve your city,
All who bear its daily stress,
All who cry for peace and justice,
all who curse and all who bless,

2. In your day of loss and sorrow
in your day of helpless strife,
honor, peace, and love retreating,
seek the Lord, who is your life.

3. In your day of wealth and plenty,
Wasted work and wasted play,
Call to mind the word of Jesus,
"You must work while it is day."

4. For all days are days of judgment,
and the Lord is waiting still.
drawing near a world that spurns him
Off'ring peace from Calv'ry's hill.

5. Risen Lord, shall yet the city
Be the city of despair?
Come today, our judge, our glory
Be its name "The Lord is there!"

Apostle's Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
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,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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.**

Prayers of Intercession

Called into unity with one another and the whole creation, let us pray for our shared world.

A brief silence.

God of companionship, encourage our relationships with our siblings in Christ. Bless our conversations. Shape our shared future and give us hearts eager to join in a festal shout of praise.

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of abundance, you make your creation thrive and grow to provide all that we need. Inspire us to care for our environment and be attuned to where the earth is crying out.

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of mercy, your grace is poured out for all. Inspire authorities, judges, and politicians to act with compassion. Teach us to overcome fear with hope, meet hate with love, and welcome one another as we would welcome you.

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of care, accompany all who are in deepest need. Comfort those who are sick, lonely, or abandoned (especially). Strengthen those who are in prison or awaiting trial. Renew the spirits of all who call upon you.

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of community, we give thanks for this congregation. Give us passion to embrace your mission and the vision to recognize where you are leading us. Teach us how to live more faithfully with each other.

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

God of love, you gather in your embrace all who have died. Keep us steadfast in our faith and renew our trust in your promise.

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Receive these prayers, O God, and those too deep for words; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Peace

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

Announcements

Offering

Offertory Hymn “Baptized and Set Free” 453

1. We are people created,
chosen by God.
Then we're washed ever gently,
In mercy and love.
Sin has power no more.
Jesus opened the door
To a fountain bringing healing
And wholeness and more.

2. We are fed and we're nourished,
Filled and refreshed.
Then our hunger returns and
Again we are blessed.
For whatever the need,
God is greater indeed:
endless ocean, always deeper
Than all of our need.

3. We are nourished by water,
All living things,
And by life that the Spirit
Abundantly brings.
As we journey toward home,
May your presence be known:
Precious river, everflowing,
Now carry us home.

4. Now with praise and thanksgiving,
we join the song.
all are welcome! We gather
To sing loud and strong.
Not enslaved, but set free!
From now on, all will be
one in Jesus, one in water,
Baptized and set free!

Offertory Canticle “We All Are One In Mission”

We all are one in mission, we all are one in call,
our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.
A single great commission compels us from above
to plan and work together that all may know Christ' love.

Offering Prayer

Let us pray. Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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,

The power, and the glory,

Forever and ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The God of steadfast and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus. And the blessing of God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit be upon you all the days of your life. **Amen.**

The Sending Hymn “The Church of Christ In Every Age” 729 Wareham

1. The church of Christ, in ev'ry age
Beset by change but Spirit led,
Must claim and test its heritage
And keep on rising from thy dead.

2. Across the world, across the street,
the victims of injustice cry
for shelter and for bread to eat,
And never live before they die.

3. Then let the servant church arise,
A caring church that longs to be
A partner in Christ's sacrifice,
And clothed in Christ's humanity.

4. For he alone, whose blood was shed,
can cure the fever in our blood,
and teach us how to share our bread
and feed the starving multitude

5. We have no mission but to serve
In full obedience to our Lord;
To care for all, without reserve,
And spread his liberating word.

Dismissal

Go forth into the world to serve God with gladness; be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honor all people; love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Postlude

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