

# Pentecost 20, Proper 23

October 10, 2021

Prelude

Organist Ken DeYager

Processional Hymn

God Himself Is With Us

H475

- 1 God himself is with us; let us all adore him,  
And with awe appear before him. God is here within us;  
Soul, in silence fear him, humbly, fervently draw near him.  
Now his own who have known God, in worship lowly,  
Yield their spirits wholly.
- 2 Gladly we offer thine to be forever, soul and life and each endeavor.  
Help us to surrender earth's deceitful treasures, pride of life and sinful pleasures:  
Thou alone shall be known Lord of all our being,  
Life's true way decreeing.
- 4 Come, abide within me; let my soul, like Mary,  
Be thine earthly sanctuary. Come, indwelling Spirit,  
With transfiguring splendor; love and honor will I render.  
Where I go here below, let me bow before thee,  
Know thee and adore thee.

*Celebrant*

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**All**

**And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

*Celebrant*

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**

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- 1. Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth**
- 2. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,**  
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
- 3. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,**
- 4. You take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;**
- 5. You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.**
- 6. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,**
- 7. You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father, Amen.**

*Celebrant*

The Lord be with you.

**All**

**And also with you.**

*Celebrant*

Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

**First Lesson Amos 5: 6-7, 10-15**

Lay Reader A reading from the book of the prophet Amos...

Seek the Lord and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire,  
and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.

Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground!

They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.

Therefore, because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain,

you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them;

you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine.

For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins—

you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate.

Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time.

Seek good and not evil, that you may live;

and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said.

Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate;

it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph...The Word of the Lord...

**All Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 90: 12-17**

12 So teach us to number our days \*

**that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.**

13 Return, O Lord; how long will you tarry? \*

**be gracious to your servants.**

14 Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; \*

**so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.**

15 Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us \*

**and the years in which we suffered adversity.**

16 Show your servants your works \*

**and your splendor to their children.**

17 May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us; \*

**prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork.**

### **The Second Lesson Hebrews 4: 12-16**

Lay reader: A reading the letter to the Hebrews...

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need...The Word of the Lord...

**All Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Hymn

Be Thou My Vision

**H488**

1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
all else be nought to me, save that thou art--  
thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;  
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;

thou my great Father; thine own may I be;  
thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.

3 High King of heaven, when victory is won,  
may I reach heaven's joys, bright heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my heart, whatever befall,  
still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.  
All **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

### **The Gospel: Mark 10: 17-31**

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

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

Sermon

The Reverend Dr. Gary Nicolosi

### **The Nicene Creed**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; that we all may be one. We pray especially for the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Bishop of Rome and the Patriarch of Constantinople. Lord, in your mercy

**People Hear our prayer.**

Leader We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world, that there may be justice and peace on the earth. We pray especially for Joseph our President, Doug our Governor, members of our Armed Forces, and all those Americans and Afghanis who are stranded or left behind in Afghanistan and seek to flee the country. Lord, in your mercy

**People Hear our prayer.**

Leader We pray for all bishops, priests and deacons, that they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments. We pray especially for Michael our Presiding Bishop, Jennifer our Bishop, Gary our Priest, Debra our Deacon, and for success in calling a new Vicar. Lord, in your mercy

**People Hear our prayer.**

Leader Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake, and especially that we might be good stewards of the earth. Lord, in your mercy

**People Hear our prayer.**

Leader Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; that they may be delivered from their distress. We pray especially for the Christians in Afghanistan that they will have the courage and perseverance to hold firm to their faith in the midst of persecution. Lord, in your mercy

**People Hear our prayer.**

Leader Give to the departed eternal rest; let light perpetual shine upon them. Lord, in your mercy

**People Hear our prayer.**

Leader We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; may we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom. Lord, in your mercy

**People Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you." Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and forever.

**People Amen.**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**All 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.**

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy upon 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.**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All                    And also with you.

## THE SERVICE OF THE TABLE

### Offertory Sentence

Offertory Music

### THE DOXOLOGY

**All:**                **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.**

### Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

### Offertory Music

*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.**

*The Celebrant proceeds:*

It is a right and a good and a joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

### Sanctus

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**All**                **Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

*The Celebrant continues:*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues:*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory are yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**All 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.

## **COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE**

*Celebrant* The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven.

**Communicant Amen.**

Communion Music

## **CLOSING PRAYER**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**All 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 the 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.**

## **BLESSING**

Go out into the world in peace; have courage; hold on to what is good; return no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak, and help the suffering; honor all people; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

Alleluia! Sing To Jesus

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- 1 Alleluia! sing to Jesus! his the scepter, his the throne;  
Alleluia! his the triumph, his the victory alone;  
Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood;  
Jesus out of every nation hath redeemed us by his blood.
- 3 Alleluia! Bread of Heaven, thou on earth our food, our stay!  
Alleluia! here the sinful flee to thee from day to day:  
Intercessor, friend of sinners, earth's Redeemer, plead for me,  
where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.
- 4 Alleluia! King eternal, thee the Lord of lords we own:  
Alleluia! born of Mary, earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:  
thou within the veil hast entered, robed in flesh, our great High Priest:  
thou on earth both Priest and Victim in the eucharistic feast.

Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ

Dismissal Response: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Organist

Kevin DeYager

Please remain in your seat until the Postlude ends  
and the videographer raises his arm to indicate  
the recording has ended.



## Family & Friends Prayer List

The above name will stay on this list for up to four weeks. If someone needs to remain on this list for a longer period, or to have others added to this list, please contact the church office.

### Ongoing List

Jackie Brown-for healing and wellness  
 Gordon, Sandy Schlegel and mother Betty for healing  
 Rich Stewart for health and wellness  
 Paul and Linda Campbell  
 Becky Thomas  
 All first responders  
 All Healthcare workers  
 All members of the Armed Forces, especially those serving overseas  
 All funeral directors and staff

Lord Jesus Christ, Good Shepherd of the sheep, you gather the lambs in your arms and carry them in your bosom;

### Military Prayer List

<b>U.S. Air Force</b>	Colby	Harlan
	KayLee	Thomas
<b>U.S. Army</b>	Andrew	
<b>U.S. Navy</b>	Abe	Landon
	Caleb	McKenzie
<b>U.S. Marines</b>	Tyler	



<b>Sunday, October 10</b>	<b>Rev Dr. Gary Nicolosi</b>
Altar Guild	Claudia Conly
Lector	Dave Loder
Usher	Kate Crammer
Bishop's Committee	Linda/Sam
<b>Sunday, October 17</b>	<b>Rev Dr. Gary Nicolosi</b>
Altar Guild	Mary Teetsel
Lector	Linda Brockwell
Usher	Kelly Ryan
Bishop's Committee	Linda/Kelly



## Announcements

Coffee Hour - Unhosted today.

Prayer Meeting is currently on hold.

October 12 Breakfast Fellowship meeting at 8:30 Tuesday at Denny's.

October 12 ECW Meeting at 12

Upcoming:

October 17 - Breast Cancer Walk

October 18 - BCM Meeting at 7 PM

December 4 - Christmas Bazaar



**The Rt. Rev. Jennifer Reddall**

*Bishop*

**The Rev. Debra Loder**

*Deacon*

**Kevin DeYager**

*Organist*

**Ellen Richards**

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