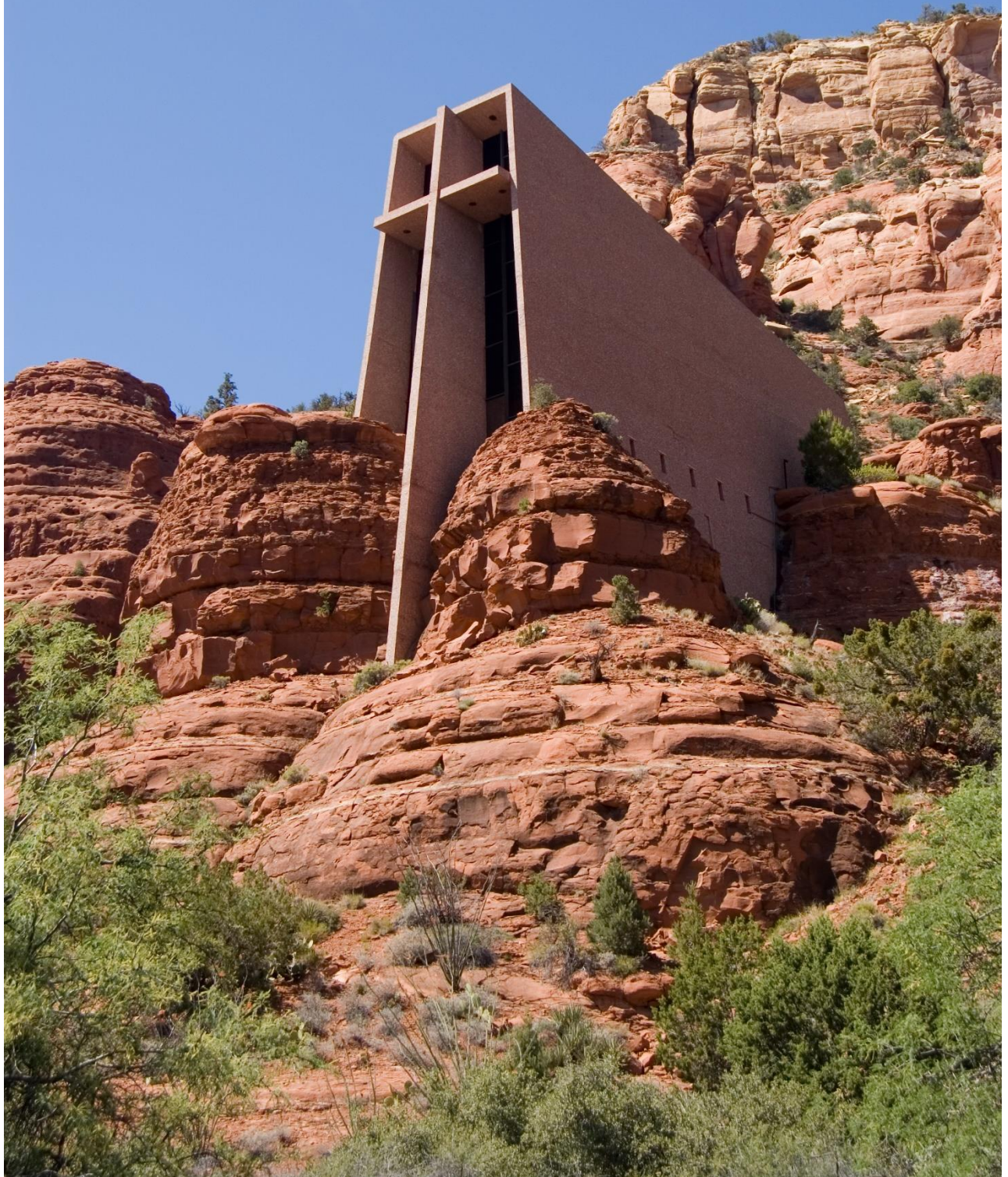


*Now is the acceptable time,
Now is the day of salvation!*



Sunday June 20, 2021

Communion in place

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost—Fathers' Day

Prelude

Welcome

Now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation! Even when we are in the storm, the boat almost swamped, Jesus is here now, and when we call him, his presence brings peace. Even the wind and waves listen to him as they would to their creator. We also listen to him and we are called to believe in the power of God's word in Jesus, a power greater than all that we fear.

Prayer

Call to Worship:

This is the day the Lord has made,

Let us be glad and rejoice in it!

Gracious God, we do not live by bread alone,

but by every word that comes from you.

Bless us as we hear your word.

Make us hunger for the Word of life, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Time for Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God,

the God of manna,

the God of miracles,

the God of mercy. Amen.

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance,
let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our provider,

help us.

It is hard to believe there is enough to share.

We question your ways

when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live.

We turn to our own understanding

rather than trusting in you.

We take offense at your teachings and your ways.

Turn us again to you. Where else can we go?

Share with us the words of eternal life

and feed us for life in the world.

Amen.

Beloved people of God:
in Jesus, the manna from heaven,
you are fed and nourished.
By Jesus, the worker of miracles,
there is always more than enough.
Through Jesus, the bread of life,
you are shown God's mercy:
you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.
you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. Amen

Song: Eternal Father

- 1 Eternal Father, strong to save,
whose arm has bound the restless
wave,
who bade the mighty ocean deep
its own appointed limits keep:
oh, hear us when we cry to thee
for those in peril on the sea.
- 2 O Savior, whose almighty word
the winds and waves submissive
heard,
who walked upon the foaming deep,
and calm amid the storm didst sleep:
oh, hear us when we cry to thee
for those in peril on the sea.
- 3 O Holy Spirit, who didst brood
upon the chaos dark and rude,
and bid its angry tumult cease,
and give, for wild confusion, peace:
oh, hear us when we cry to thee
for those in peril on the sea.
- 4 O Trinity of love and pow'r,
all trav'lers guard in danger's hour
from rock and tempest, fire and foe,
protect them wheresoe'er they go;
thus evermore shall rise to thee
glad hymns and praise from land and
sea.

Text: William Whiting, 1825-1878, alt.

May 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.

Prayer of the day: Let us pray, O God of creation, eternal majesty, you preside over
land and sea, sunshine and storm. By your strength pilot us, by your power preserve
us, by your wisdom instruct us, and by your hand protect us, through Jesus Christ, our
Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

The Word

Children's Moment

First Reading: Job 38:1-11

¹The LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind:

²“Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?

³Gird up your loins like a man,
I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

⁴“Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?
Tell me, if you have understanding.

⁵Who determined its measurements—surely you know!
Or who stretched the line upon it?

⁶On what were its bases sunk,
or who laid its cornerstone

⁷when the morning stars sang together
and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

⁸“Or who shut in the sea with doors
when it burst out from the womb?—

⁹when I made the clouds its garment,
and thick darkness its swaddling band,

¹⁰and prescribed bounds for it,
and set bars and doors,

¹¹and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther,
and here shall your proud waves be stopped?’”

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32

¹Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good,
for God’s mercy endures forever.

²**Let the redeemed of the LORD proclaim
that God redeemed them from the hand of the foe,**

³gathering them in from the lands;
from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

²³**Some went down to the sea in ships,
plying their trade in deep waters.**

²⁴They beheld the works of the LORD,
God’s wonderful works in the deep.

²⁵**Then God spoke, and a stormy wind arose,
which tossed high the waves of the sea.**

²⁶They mounted up to the heavens and descended to the depths;
their souls melted away in their peril.

²⁷**They staggered and reeled like drunkards,**

and all their skill was of no avail.

²⁸Then in their trouble they cried to the LORD,
and you delivered them from their distress.

²⁹**You stilled the storm to a whisper
and silenced the waves of the sea.**

³⁰Then were they glad when it grew calm,
when you guided them to the harbor they desired.

³¹**Let them give thanks to you, LORD, for your steadfast love
and your wonderful works for all people.**

³²Let them exalt you in the assembly of the people;
in the council of the elders, let them sing hallelujah!

Gospel Greeting: (sing it out!)

**Al-le-lu--ia, Al-le--lu--ia,
Al-le-lu--ia, Al-le--lu--ia!**

Gospel: Mark 4:35-41

³⁵When evening had come, [Jesus said to the disciples,] “Let us go across to the other side.” ³⁶And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. ³⁷A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. ³⁸But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, “Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?” ³⁹He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, “Peace! Be still!” Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. ⁴⁰He said to them, “Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?” ⁴¹And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, “Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?”

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ!**

Gospel Greeting: (sing it out!)

**Al-le-lu--ia, Al-le--lu--ia,
Al-le-lu--ia, Al-le--lu--ia!**

Message

Song: Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me

1 Lord, take my hand and lead me
upon life's way;
direct, protect, and feed me
from day to day.
Without your grace and favor
I go astray;

so take my hand, O Savior,
and lead the way.

2 Lord, when the tempest rages,
I need not fear;
for you, the Rock of Ages,
are always near.

Close by your side abiding,
I fear no foe,
for when your hand is guiding,
in peace I go.

my steps toward home,
then nothing can impede me,
O blessed Friend!
So, take my hand and lead me
unto the end.

3 Lord, when the shadows lengthen
and night has come,
I know that you will strengthen

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Apostles Creed

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.

The Peace

Announcements

--It's favorite hymn season!

--Non-perishable food drive to support the pantry of the St. Vincent de Paul Society at St. Edith Stein.

--Thirsty Thursday: Pictures to prandall22@gmail.com. Theme: "Heart of Grace - the power of Giving".

Offering Prayer

**Jesus, Bread of life,
you have set this table with your very self,
and called us to the feast of plenty.
Gather what has been sown among us,
and strengthen us in this meal.
Make us to be what we receive here,**

your body for the life of the world. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Let us come in prayer before God who is one and who is three, and yet only one.

A brief silence.

Holy God, you gather your people from east and west, north and south. We pray for the mission of the church throughout the world, that your steadfast love may be made known to all peoples. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You laid the foundations of the earth and the waters are the womb of creation. The morning stars sing your name and all creation shouts for joy. We pray for your blessed creation, that it may continue to flourish and magnify your glory.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You keep watch over all nations. We pray for countries experiencing violence, hunger, and unrest (*especially*). Guide worldwide and local community organizations in their efforts to establish safety and justice. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You are close to the brokenhearted and near to those in distress. We pray for those who are experiencing oppression. Liberate us from the systems and chains that bind us. Remove the barriers that separate us from one another.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You dwell with us in this faith community. We pray for our leaders and council, *especially for Peter, Julie, Laura, Nancy, and Dawn*. Grant them knowledge, patience, and kindness, that through their leadership you may be exalted in this assembly. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Your love endures in all situations. On this Father's Day, we pray for those who are fathers or wish to be fathers, for those with broken or strained relationships, for those who are missing their fathers, and for fathers who have lost children. Bless and strengthen them. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace.

Amen.

The Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

Holy Communion

We, who are many, are one body, as we share this one bread.

The gifts of God for the people of God!

Thanks be to God!

(We share in communion in place, during the meditation hymn)

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

Prayer after Communion:

Jesus, Bread of Life,

We have received from your table more than we could ever ask.

As you have fed us in this meal,

Now strengthen us to love the world with your own life.

In your name we pray, Amen

Blessing:

May the blessing of God,

who provides for us, who feeds us, and who is with us wherever we go, be upon you, now and forever. **Amen!**

Song: My Life Flows on in Endless Song

1 My life flows on in endless song;
above earth's lamentation,
I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn
that hails a new creation.

Refrain

No storm can shake my inmost calm
while to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth,
how can I keep from singing?

2 Through all the tumult and the strife,
I hear that music ringing.
It finds an echo in my soul.

How can I keep from singing?

Refrain

3 What though my joys and comforts die?
The Lord my Savior liveth.
What though the darkness gather round?
Songs in the night he giveth. *Refrain*

4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart,
a fountain ever springing!
All things are mine since I am his!
How can I keep from singing?
Refrain

Text: Robert Lowry, 1826-1899

Dismissal

Go in peace. Remember the poor.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Thank you for joining us!

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