



ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

"An Inclusive and Progressive Community of Faith"

The Holy Eucharist

18 October 2020

Proper 24

Announcements & Welcome

We acknowledge that the land upon which we have gathered this week is the traditional ancestral and unceded territory of the Suquamish, and Coast Salish People.

Gather Hymnal #734: "Bring Forth The Kingdom"

Bring Forth the Kingdom 734

Verses



1. You are salt for the earth, O peo - ple:
2. You are a light on the hill, O peo - ple:
3. You are a seed of the Word, O peo - ple:
4. We are a blest and a pil - grim peo - ple:



Salt for the King-dom of God! Share the fla - vor of
Light for the Cit - y of God! Shine so ho - ly and
Bring forth the King-dom of God! Seeds of mer - cy and
Bound for the King-dom of God! Love our jour - ney and

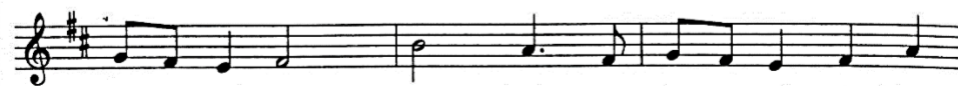


life, O peo - ple: Life in the King-dom of God!
bright, O peo - ple: Shine for the King-dom of God!
seeds of jus - tice, Grow in the King-dom of God!
love our home - land: Love is the King-dom of God!

Refrain



Bring forth the King-dom of mer - cy, Bring forth the



King-dom of peace; Bring forth the King-dom of jus - tice,



Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And Blessed be God’s Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Spoken

**Glory to God in the highest,
 and peace to God's people on earth.
 Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
 we worship you, we give you thanks,
 we praise you for your glory.
 Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
 Lord God, Lamb of God,
 you take away the sin of the world:
 have mercy on us,
 you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
 receive our prayer.
 For you alone are the Holy One,
 you alone are the Lord,
 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.
And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray together.

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Isaiah 45:1-7

Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus,
 whose right hand I have grasped
 to subdue nations before him
 and strip kings of their robes,
 to open doors before him--
 and the gates shall not be closed:
 I will go before you and level the mountains,
 I will break in pieces the doors of bronze
 and cut through the bars of iron,

I will give you the treasures of darkness
and riches hidden in secret places,
so that you may know that it is I, the LORD,
the God of Israel, who call you by your name.
For the sake of my servant Jacob,
and Israel my chosen,
I call you by your name, I surname you, though you do not know me.
I am the LORD, and there is no other;
besides me there is no god.
I arm you, though you do not know me,
so that they may know, from the rising of the sun
and from the west, that there is no one besides me;
I am the LORD, and there is no other.
I form light and create darkness,
I make weal and create woe;
I the LORD do all these things.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 96:1-9 (10-13)

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1. O sing to the Lord a new song:
sing to the Lord all the earth.
2. Sing, and give praise to God's name:
tell the glad news of salvation from day to day.
3. Proclaim God's glory to the nations:
God's marvelous deeds to all the peoples.
4. For you O Lord are great and highly to be praised:
more to be feared than all the gods.
5. The gods of the nations are no more than idols:
but you O Lord are the one who made the heavens.
6. Glory and majesty attend you:
strength and beauty are in your sanctuary.
7. Ascribe to the Lord, you families of the nations:
ascribe to the Lord honor and might.
8. Ascribe due honor to God's holy name:
bring offerings, and enter the courts of the Lord.
9. Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness:
let the whole earth stand in awe.
10. Proclaim to the nations, 'The Lord is king:
the Lord has made the world so firm it cannot be moved,
and will judge the peoples with justice.'
11. Let the heavens rejoice, and the earth be glad:
let the sea roar and all the creatures in it.

12. Let the fields be joyful and all that is in them:
then all the trees of the forest
will shout with joy before the Lord.
13. For you O Lord are coming to judge the earth:
with righteousness you will judge the world,
and the peoples with your truth.

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace.

We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead-- Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

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Gradual Hymn: Gather Hymnal #334: "Gather Acclamation"

334 GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The image shows two staves of musical notation for the hymn. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#), and a 6/8 time signature. The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes. Below the staff, the lyrics "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!" are written. The second staff continues the melody, featuring a change in time signature to 9/8 and then back to 6/8. The lyrics "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!" are repeated below this staff.

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 22:15-22 ✠ Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are

sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon: The Reverend Kathleen Kingslight

Affirmation of Faith

As Children of God, we affirm:

**That God, who is Love, created all and called it good,
that God is present with all of creation,
and that in darkness and in light, God is faithful,
therefore, too, seek to be faithful.**

**That Jesus came to show us Love with a human face,
that he taught justice and reconciliation and suffered on our behalf,
and that through his faithful example, he embodies hope;
therefore we, too, seek to be people of justice, reconciliation and hope.**

**That the Holy Spirit guides and accompanies us,
the this same Spirit offers wisdom and discernment,
and that , when we are open, the Spirit can always find a way;
therefore, we seek to be people filled with God's Spirit:
discerning, loving and transforming our worlds. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People (from *Intercessions for the Christian People*)

Let us pray our Vision Statement together:

- **O God, help us to be progressive Christians in an open, inclusive and affirming community of faith.**
- **O Jesus, guide us in providing a safe harbor for everyone on their spiritual journey.**
- **O Holy Spirit be with us in our endeavors to bring God's presence into our world in need.**

Pondering the relationship between our duties to God and our duties as citizens, let us pray for ourselves and for the United States, saying: Lord, have mercy.

That all in our community may know what is God's and what is Caesar's, and may have the courage so to live, let us pray to the one who alone is Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

That as the Lord guided Cyrus for the sake of Israel, God will guide our country, its leaders, and its citizens, that justice and peace will be the signs of our trust in God, let us pray to the one who alone is Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

That the leaders of the church, in the spirit of Paul, may preach the gospel not merely in words but in action through the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, let us pray to the one who alone is Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

That each of us, following Jesus, may be truthful, courting no one's favor, but living with simplicity and candor, let us pray to the one who alone is Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

That through the faith, love, and constancy of Christians God's name may be made known from, the rising to the setting of the sun, let us pray to the one who alone is Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

That like the apostles all the people in the church may live their faith and labor in love for the poor, the homeless, the imprisoned, the persecuted, and the sick, and that by God's power the suffering of all may be relieved, let us pray to the one who alone is Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

Empower us to make the right decision in the upcoming elections. We pray for our President, all governmental leadership, for bishops, all clergy, deacons, and all who minister in the church, especially Michael our Presiding Bishop, Greg our Bishop, Kathleen our rector, and Navy Chaplain David, let us pray to the one who alone is Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

We pray for our community, especially parishioners Jim Manlove, Darlene Marshall & Patrick Sanders, Steve & Honi Matchell, Mary Jo Melia, and Stephen & Sidoux Mitchell. We also pray for Bishop Rickel and his staff, St. Benedict, Lacey, St. Christopher, Olympia, St. John/San Juan, Olympia, and The Episcopal Church, Irbid, Jordan, let us pray to the one who alone is Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

O God, ruler of all, grant that our nation and its citizens may respond to your call, and that we may live out all civic virtues in honesty and integrity. We ask this in the name of Jesus, your Son and our Lord. Amen.

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**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.**

Almighty God have mercy on 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.**

The Peace The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Musical Offering: Gather Hymnal #31: “Lord You Have The Words”
(As you are listening this is a good time to do your giving online.)

31 Psalm 19: Lord, You Have the Words

Refrain



Verses

1. The law of the Lord is perfect, refreshing the soul;
the Lord's rule is to be trusted, the simple find wisdom.
2. The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding for ever;
the decrees of the Lord are true, all of them just.
3. The precepts of the Lord are right, they gladden the heart,
the command of the Lord is clear, giving light to the eye.
4. They are worth more than gold, than the finest gold,
sweeter than honey, than honey from the comb.

The Great Thanksgiving: from *Eucharistic Prayers*

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: We praise and thank you, God of Abraham and Moses,

because you have made your creation out of nothing,
you have come among us in liberation and covenant,
and in your Son's dying and rising
you have opened up your life to share your holiness with us.
In your tender mercy
you have broken upon us the dawn from on high
and shown us your glory in the face of Jesus Christ.
You cover us with your loving hand
that we may dare to stand in your presence,
and you tell us your name that we may see into your heart.
And so we come before you
with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven,
to sing the hymn of your unending praise.

**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:

Merciful God, you have given us the law
as the covenant between your ways and ours,
and in Jesus you have renewed that covenant
by giving us the fulfillment of that law.
In this meal you show us
how much you long for us to be your companions
and how constant is your presence among us.
Send down your Holy Spirit upon us now,
that we might become the body of Christ that you give us to eat.
Give us your very self in these gifts of bread and wine
and make them for us the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ;
who, at supper with his disciples, took bread, gave you thanks,
broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying,
"Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me."
After supper he took the cup.
Again he gave you thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying,
"Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Great is the mystery of faith.

Christ has died

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

God of inescapable love,
you call upon us to give to you the things that are yours.
As we realize with joy that all things are yours,
turn every action of our lives into ways of worshiping you.
Unite us with the communion of your saints,
past, present, and eternal, turning all into alleluia,
turning justice into kindness and trust,
turning fear into hope, hunger into fulfillment,
isolation into companionship, and suffering into love,
until the day comes when we and all your people
see you face to face,
ever one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Hymn: "Sanctuary"

**Lord, prepare me
to be a sanctuary
pure and holy
tried and true
with thanksgiving
I'll be a living
Sanctuary For You.**

Prayer after Communion: **My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least**

spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn: Gather Hymnal #817: "We Shall Overcome"

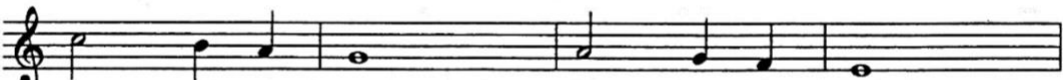
817 We Shall Overcome



1. We shall o - ver - come, we shall o - ver - come,
 2. We'll walk hand in hand, we'll walk hand in hand,
 3. We shall live in peace, we shall live in peace,
 4. We are not a - fraid, we are not a - fraid,



we shall o - ver - come some - day. Oh,
 we'll walk hand in hand some - day. Oh,
 we shall live in peace some - day. Oh,
 we are not a - fraid to - day. Oh,



deep in my heart I do be - lieve
 deep in my heart I do be - lieve
 deep in my heart I do be - lieve
 deep in my heart I do be - lieve



we shall o - ver - come some - day.
 we'll walk hand in hand some - day.
 we shall live in peace some - day.
 we are not a - fraid to - day.

5. We shall stand together...
6. The truth will make us free...
7. The Lord will see us through...
8. We shall be like him...
9. The whole wide world around...

The Great Beginning

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

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