



HOLY EUCHARIST

27 October 2018

GATHER IN THE LORD'S NAME



The Congregation sings as the table is prepared for worship.

HYMN ✠ COME NOW, O PRINCE OF PEACE *Page 6*

HYMN ✠ LEAD ME, GUIDE ME, ALONG THE WAY *Page 7-8*

ENTRANCE

HYMN ✠ PRAISE THE ONE WHO BREAKS THE DARKNESS *Page 9*

Celebrant God is with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Almighty and everlasting God, you have given the Holy Spirit to abide with us for ever: Bless, we pray, with her grace and presence, the bishops, clergy and laity here assembled in your Name, that your Church, being preserved in true faith and godly discipline, may fulfill all the mind of him who loved it and gave himself for it, your Son Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People Amen.

PROCLAIM AND RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD



THE EPISTLE

2 CORINTHIANS 4:1-10

Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God. And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. ⁴In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us.

We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; ¹⁰always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM

19:7-14

The sun springs from the edge of the earth,
runs a course across the sky to win the race at heaven's end.
Nothing on earth escapes its heat.

God's perfect law revives the soul.
God's stable rule guides the simple.

God's just demands delight the heart.
God's clear commands sharpen vision.

God's faultless decrees stand for ever.
God's right judgments keep their truth.

Their worth is more than gold, the purest gold;
their taste richer than honey, sweet from the comb.

Keeping them makes me rich, they bring me light;
yet faults hide within us, forgive me mine.

Keep my pride in check, break its grip;
I shall be free of blame for deadly sin.



Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 24:30-31a
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight.

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

THE HOMILY

PRAY FOR THE CHURCH AND THE WORLD



Reader O God Who Goes Before Us, we offer you our prayers for help and for hope, for those whom we know and love and for those known to you alone, that you might bless us with your love.

People God of Change, help us to follow where you lead.

Reader We pray for the Body of Christ throughout the world. We pray for The Episcopal Church and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and all who minister in them. We pray for our Bishop, for our Priests and Deacons, and all those with minister with us. We pray for grace in this time of change and for the desire to serve all whom you place before us.

People God of Change, help us to follow where you lead. *(Repeat after each petition.)*

Reader We pray for the election of the Tenth Bishop of Maine. Be with the candidates as they conclude their thinking and praying and be with us as we discern whom to work with and follow in the years ahead.

Reader We pray for the leaders of all nations and peoples. We pray for Donald, our President, and Paul our Governor. We pray for all those standing for election this Fall and for the members of our courts. We pray for all who lead that they may remember that leaders must be servants of all.

Reader We pray for the peoples and tribes and languages and nations who make up our global community. We pray especially for those who are victims of the world as it is: those who work in inhumane conditions, the victims of war and human trafficking, refugees and asylum seekers, and those whose lives are blighted by ecological damage. May we work for a new world.

Reader We pray for our communities and our neighbors. We pray for those who have not yet found fulfilling work and those whose work pays less than a living wage. We pray for those caught in cycles of addiction and abuse. May we work together with our neighbors for good.

Reader We pray for the sick and the suffering, those in hospital and hospice, those who have never followed Jesus and those struggling to find their way. Help us to be witnesses to your compassion and mercy.

Reader We pray for all who have died, for all who are dying, and for those who wait with them. May we hold before them the hope of eternal life in Christ.

Celebrant O God Who Awaits Us, hear the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to follow you, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Together Amen.

EXCHANGE THE PEACE PREPARE THE TABLE



Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.
People And also with you.

Celebrant Walk in love as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

THE OFFERTORY



Our offertory today is an ingathering for UTO.

HYMN ✠ NOW IT IS EVENING, LIGHTS OF THE CITY *Page 10*

MAKE EUCHARIST



Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

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 to praise you, O God, our Creator, for you formed the earth from the waters of chaos and filled it with the beauty and abundance of nature. You made the earth a fit place for our home, a garden filled with fresh air and pure water, and created us to join you in caring for creation and in making all things new.

When we failed to exercise the trust you had given us, when we turned from you and from one another, you renewed your covenant with us. Over and over, you called us to return to you and, when all else had failed, you sent your Son, Jesus, born of Mary, to live among us and to show us the way of joy and life.

People We thank you that you have never turned away from us, never abandoned us in our sin. We thank you that you have always loved us and always called us to return. We thank you that you have given us to one another as colleagues and co-workers in the ministries of your church and have invited us to share in your work of reconciliation. We thank you that you have been here among us and have heard our prayers.

Celebrant Joining with the people whom you have loved in every time and place, we lift our voices with saints and angels proclaiming your glory, as we sing,

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Celebrant Above all your gifts, we praise and thank you for the gift of your Son, our Teacher and Companion, who loved us more than his own life and gave himself that we might find new and eternal life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends and said, "Take, eat; This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command,

Together Christ has died.
 Christ has risen.
 Christ will come again.

Celebrant Remembering now his suffering and death and proclaiming his resurrection and ascension we bring before you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of Christ.

Make us one in the Body of Your Son and, in your good time, gather us with all your faithful people into our eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

Together AMEN.

Celebrant As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

Together Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today 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 for ever. Amen.

BREAK THE BREAD SHARE THE GIFTS OF GOD



Celebrant We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

People We who are many are one body,
For we all share in the one bread.

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God.

The body and blood of Christ are shared by the people.

HYMN ✠ THERE'S A SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT IN THIS PLACE *Page 13-14*

Together Loving God,
we give you thanks
for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
Now send us forth
a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Saviour.
Amen.

Bishop God willing, the Electing Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Maine will be held on 9 February 2019 (snow date 23 February 2019) at the Cross Insurance Center, Bangor, Maine.

God willing, the 200th Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Maine will be held on 26 October 2019 at the Cross Insurance Center, Bangor, Maine

This 199th Annual Convention is adjourned.

Celebrant Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us. So, be swift to love, and make haste to be kind. And may the blessing of the Holy One, God who made us, the Son who saves us, and the Spirit who travels with us, be with you, now and forever.

People Amen!

THE DISMISSAL



Deacon Alleluia, Alleluia! May our sacrifice be love,
People as we practice mercy on earth.
Together Alleluia, Alleluia!

HYMN ✠ CHRIST FOR THE WORLD WE SING *Page 12*