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# St. Raphael's

## Episcopal Church

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**July 24, 2022, 10:00 am**

**Holy Eucharist, Rite II**

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*The musical prelude is a time to center down - to quiet mind, body and soul.  
We invite you to take a few moments to prepare for the worship ahead.*

### **Processional Hymn**

*O bless the Lord, my soul  
Verses 1, 2, 5, 6*

*Hymnal 411*

*O bless the Lord, my soul! His grace to thee proclaim!  
And all that is within me join to bless his holy Name!*

*O bless the Lord, my soul! His mercies bear in mind!  
Forget not all his benefits! The Lord to thee is kind.*

*He clothes thee with his love, upholds thee with his truth;  
and like the eagle he renews the vigor of thy youth.*

*Then bless his holy Name, whose grace hath made thee whole,  
whose loving-kindness crowns thy days: O bless the Lord, my soul!*

### **The Gathering of the People**

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.

Amen.

*The Celebrant prays aloud, the People pray in their hearts*

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.*

*All aloud in unison*

Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his 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.

**The Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

*People* Amen.

**First Reading**

*Genesis 18:20-32*

The Lord said to Abraham, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know."

So the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city;

will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" And the Lord said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake." Abraham answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." Again he spoke to him, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." He said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."

*Reader*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      Thanks be to God.

### **Psalm 138**

I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart;  
before the gods I will sing your praise.

I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your Name,  
because of your love and faithfulness.

For you have glorified your Name and your word above all things.  
When I called, you answered me;  
you increased my strength within me.

All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord,  
when they have heard the words of your mouth.  
They will sing of the ways of the Lord, that great is the glory of the Lord.

Though the Lord be high, he cares for the lowly;  
he perceives the haughty from afar.  
Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe;  
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;  
your right hand shall save me.

The Lord will make good his purpose for me;  
O Lord, your love endures for ever;  
do not abandon the works of your hands.

## Second Reading

*Colossians 2:6-19*

As you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God.

Reader     The Word of the Lord.

People     Thanks be to God.

## Gradual Hymn

*Seek ye first the kingdom of God*  
*Verse 1*

*Hymn 711*

## **Gospel Reading**

*Luke 11:1-13*

*Priest*        The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
*People*        Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial."

And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

"So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

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

## **Gradual Hymn**

*Ask and it shall be given unto you*  
*Verse 2*

*Hymn 711*

## **The Sermon**

*The Rev. Jean Hite*

## 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

God, hear us, as we offer our prayers for ourselves and for the whole world.  
We pray for wisdom. Turn us away from superficiality, materialism, and greed.  
Teach us to be honest, generous, and humble. Help us to put our faith in heaven and  
not in fleeting things that fade away.

*Silence*

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

We pray for courage. Give your Church the boldness to fight for truth and justice in  
the face of opposition and obstruction. Empower us to be persistent in our prayers  
and in our deeds.

*Silence*

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

We pray for love. Fill us with compassion and respect for all. Widen our circles to  
include the marginalized and the rejected. Disturb our daily routines with the cry of  
those in need. Guide us as we care for our enemies, our neighbors, and ourselves.

*Silence*

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

We pray for healing. Confront the demons that run rampant in us and in our society.  
Release us from every ailment that causes pain. Surround with your healing  
presence all who suffer, especially all who have asked for our prayers . . .

*Silence*

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

We pray for peace. Quiet the distractions and worries that keep us from resting in  
you. Still the storms of violence that batter our nation and the nations of the earth.  
Bring to eternal peace all who have died.

*Silence*

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

We pray for grateful hearts. Bolster our praise for the good you make happen in our  
lives, and remind us continually to be thankful for your gifts.

*Silence*

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

*Priest adds a concluding Collect.*

## **Confession of Sin**

*Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Minister and People*

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.

*The Priest says*

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**

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

*People* And also with you.

*The Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

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## Offertory Hymn

Dear Lord and Father of mankind  
Verses 1, 4 and 5

Hymnal 652

Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our foolish ways!  
Reclothe us in our rightful mind, in purer lives thy service find,  
in deeper reverence, praise.

Drop thy still dews of quietness, till all our strivings cease;  
take from our souls the strain and stress, and let our ordered lives confess  
the beauty of thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire thy coolness and thy balm;  
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire; speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,  
O still, small voice of calm.

## The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer G

Church of England *Common Worship*

*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 him thanks and praise.**

*The Celebrant proceeds*

Blessed are you, Lord God, our light and our salvation; to you be glory and praise for ever! From the beginning you have created all things and all your works echo the silent music of your praise. In the fullness of time you made us in your image, the crown of all creation.

You give us breath and speech that with angels and archangels and all the powers of heaven we may find a voice to sing your praise:

*Celebrant and People*

**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*

How wonderful the work of your hands, O Lord! As a mother tenderly gathers her children you embraced a people as your own. When they turned away and rebelled your love remained steadfast. From them you raised up Jesus our Saviour, born of Mary, to be the living bread, in whom all our hungers are satisfied. He offered his life for sinners and with a love stronger than death he opened wide his arms on the cross.

On the night before he died, he came to supper with his friends, and taking bread, he gave you thanks. He broke it and gave it to them, saying: Take eat: this is my body which is given for you.

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine, he gave you thanks, 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. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

Father, we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross; we remember his dying and rising in glory, and we rejoice that he intercedes for us at your right hand.

Pour out your Holy Spirit as we bring before you these gifts of your creation; may they be for us the body and blood of your dear Son. As we eat and drink these holy things in your presence, form us into the likeness of Christ, and build us into a living temple to your glory.

Bring us at the last with St. Raphael all the saints to the vision of that eternal splendour for which you have created us;

through Jesus Christ, our Lord, by him, with him, and in him, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise. *AMEN.*

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

*People and Celebrant*

**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.**

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

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

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

*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

### **Fraction hymn**

Eat this bread, drink this cup,  
Come to me and never be hungry.  
Eat this bread, drink this cup,  
Trust in me and you shall not thirst.

*The Celebrant says*

The Gifts of God for the People of God . . .

*The ministers receive the Sacrament and then immediately deliver it to the people.*

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

## **Blessing**

## **Announcements**

## **Closing Hymn**

*All hail the power of Jesus' Name  
Verses 1, 3 and 6*

*Hymnal 440*

*All hail the power of Jesus' Name! Let angels prostrate fall;  
bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!  
bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!*

*Hail him, the Heir of David's line, whom David Lord did call,  
the God incarnate, Man divine, and crown him Lord of all!  
the God incarnate, Man divine, and crown him Lord of all!*

*Let every kindred, every tribe, on this terrestrial ball,  
to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!  
to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!*

## **Dismissal**

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

*People* Thanks be to God.