

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost August 1, 2021

St. Luke's Episcopal Church Bartlesville, Oklahoma.

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

The Word of God

BCP = Book of Common Prayer, red book H = The Hymnal, blue book

Prelude		Mr. Lauren Green
Hymn	"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"	H 690
The Celebrant says Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. People And Blessed be God's Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.		BCP 355

The Celebrant continues

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.*



GLORY TO GOD from Songs and Prayers from Taize



The Collect of the Day

BCP 232

The Celebrant says to the people The Lord be with you. People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect.

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

A Reading from the Book of Exodus

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

Then the LORD said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not."

Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.'" And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. The LORD spoke to Moses and said, "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God."

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat."

The Word of the Lord. *People* **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 78: 23-29

- 23 So he commanded the clouds above * and opened the doors of heaven.
- 24 He rained down manna upon them to eat * and gave them grain from heaven.
- 25 So mortals ate the bread of angels; * he provided for them food enough.
- 26 He caused the east wind to blow in the heavens * and led out the south wind by his might.
- 27 He rained down flesh upon them like dust * and winged birds like the sand of the sea.
- 28 He let it fall in the midst of their camp * and round about their dwellings.
- 29 So they ate and were well filled, * for he gave them what they craved.

A Reading from the letter to the Ephesians

Eph. 4: 1-16

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said,

"When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people."

(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

The Word of the Lord. *People* **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn	"Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless"	H 343
The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John		John 6: 24-35

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The next day, when the people who remained after the feeding of the five thousand saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat." Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

After the Gospel, the Reader says

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

Fr. Nick Phares

Sermon

All standing

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.

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We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Intercessor

O God, your people are hungry for your Word. Teach us to out our whole trust in you. Let us not forget the wonders you have shown us. You are the Bread of Life;

Give us this bread always.

Your church is hungry for your Wisdom. Give our leaders hearts for your truth as they guide us. Bless our clergy. Empower us all to live the covenant we have made with you. You are the Bread of Life;

Give us this bread always.

Your world is hungry for peace. We pray for the leaders of all the nations, that their hearts are intent on the common good for all people. We pray for Joe, our President; Kevin, our Governor, and Dale, our Mayor. You are the Bread of Life;

Give us this bread always.

Your world is hungry for relief from hardship. We pray for your people in all corners of the world who want for food and shelter, who suffer from oppression and war. Sustain them with your presence and lead us to come to their aid. You are the Bread of Life;

Give us this bread always.

Your world is hungry for healing and compassion. We pray for those we hold dear to our hearts who suffer from any illness of body, mind, or spirit: Milton Enderlin, Mary Gillett, Linda Piper, Terry Piper, Leaona Dobbs, Connie Woods, Tracy Dobbs, Liz Green, Matt French, Shellie Greggs, Joseph Louis, Lynetta Jackson, Lorrie Loy, Kyle Frohlic, Michelle Sheffield, Catherine Sheffield, Sydney & Ed Beasley, Marcia Zervas, Luke Karel, Tom & Jacque Martin, Allen Oliphant, Carolyn French, David King, Jim Taylor, Dr. Joe Hardin, Laura Burke, Bill Birk, Diana Crawford, Mary Dull, Barbara Todd, Ben Baker, Bruce, Clara, Peggy, Joe, Sandra, Helen, Kristin, and Scott. We also pray for those who have no one to pray for them. You are the Bread of Life;

Give us this bread always.

Your world is hungry for comfort and eager for new life. Enfold those who have died in your embrace. May they rest in your eternal presence. May we all come to know the life that is eternal. You are the Bread of Life;

Give us this bread always.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

The Confession

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The Celebrant then says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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 Celebrant stands and 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.*

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The Peace

All stand.

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

The Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn	"I Am The Bread Of Life"	H 335
The Great Thanksgiving	Eucharistic Prayer A	BCP 361

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

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

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here the Proper Preface is said.

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:



The people stand or kneel.

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:

Celebrant and People

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 is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN*.

The Lord's Prayer

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

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

Whoever Eats This Bread



Invitation to Communion

Communion

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The Bread and Wine are given to the communicants with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [Amen.]

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [Amen.]

Post Communion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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 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.

The Blessing

Hymn	"Singing Songs of Expectation"	H 527
The Dism	nissal	BCP 366
Celebrant	Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.	
People	Thanks be to God.	

Celebrant: Father Nick Phares Organist: Dolores McCreary Cellist: Lauren Green Server: Dan Droege Usher: Jim Liehr

Today's altar flowers are given by Ms. Jeanne Rowlett: "In loving memory of Bob Rowlett



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