

The First Sunday after Pentecost Trinity Sunday

Church of the Holy Comforter – Vienna, Virginia The Holy Eucharist Rite II

June 4, 2023 at 10:00 A.M.

The liturgy follows the Book of Common Prayer, beginning at page 413.

OPENING VOLUNTARY: Prelude in G Major, Op. 105, No. 3

Charles Villiers Stanford

THE ENTRANCE

AT THE PROCESSION, HYMN 370 (stanzas 1-2, 6-7) "I bind unto myself today" *Sung by all, standing.*

BishopBlessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.PeopleAnd blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.BishopThere is one Body and one Spirit;PeopleThere is one hope in God's call to us;BishopOne Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;PeopleOne God and Father of all.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON [The people are seated.]

God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth." So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day. Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation. These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

St. Patrick's Breastplate/Deirdre

Genesis 1:24-2:4a





THE SECOND LESSON [The people are seated.]

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

AT THE SEQUENCE, HYMN 362 "Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!" *Sung by all, standing.*

THE HOLY GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

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

THE SERMON The Right Reverend E. Mark Stevenson *A brief period of silence is observed for reflection on the sermon.*

PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATES

Bishop The Candidates will now be presented.

Presenters I present these persons for Confirmation.

FROM THE FALLS CHURCH

GRACE KUMMER, BRIAN TING, GRACE VALENCIA

FROM HOLY COMFORTER

Audrey Reese Burns, Mark Christopher DePaul, Hayley Mackenzie Eastman, James Kenneth Fraser, Abigail Wight Garrod, London James Grant, David James Lofvenholm, Graham Philip Francis Miller, Kendall Grace Pacitti, Shannon Clare Polchow

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Nicaea

Matthew 28:16-20

Presenters I present this person to be received into this Communion.

Peter Edward Richardson

Bishop Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

Candidates I do.

Bishop Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

Candidates I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as my Savior and Lord.

After all have been presented, the Bishop addresses the congregation, saying

 Bishop
 Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

 People
 We will.

Bishop Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Bishop People	Do you believe in God the Father? I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
Bishop People	Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God? 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 to the dead. 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.
Bishop People	Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit? 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.
Bishop People	Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers? I will, with God's help.
Bishop People	Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord? I will, with God's help.
Bishop People	Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ? I will, with God's help.
Bishop People	Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself? I will, with God's help.
Bishop People	Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being? I will, with God's help.

PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATES

The Bishop then says to the congregation

Let us now pray for these persons who have renewed their commitment to Christ.

Leader People	Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death. Lord, hear our prayer.
Leader	Open their hearts to your grace and truth.
People	Lord, hear our prayer.
Leader	Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.
People	Lord, hear our prayer.
Leader People	Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church. Lord, hear our prayer.
Leader	Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.
People	Lord, hear our prayer.
Leader	Send them into the world in witness to your love.
People	Lord, hear our prayer.
Leader	Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.
People	Lord, hear our prayer.

The Bishop says

Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in these your servants the covenant you made with them at their Baptism. Send them forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

FOR CONFIRMATION

The Bishop lays hands upon each one and says

Strengthen, O Lord, your servant N. with your Holy Spirit; empower him for your service; and sustain him all the days of his life. Amen.

FOR RECEPTION

N, we recognize you as a member of the one holy catholic and apostolic Church, and we receive you into the fellowship of this Communion. God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep you. Amen.

The Bishop concludes with this prayer

Almighty and everliving God, let your fatherly hand ever be over these your servants; let your Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of your Word, that they may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you. And also with you. [The people greet one another with a sign of God's peace and are then seated.]

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

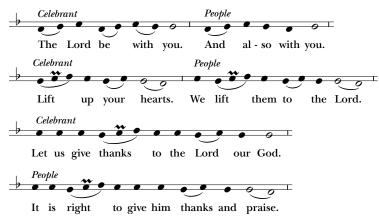
The people remain seated while an offering is received to support Holy Comforter's work of sharing God's love with the world. Today's loose offering is designated for the Bishop's Discretionary Fund. As the offering is brought forward to the altar, all stand.

AT THE OFFERTORY, ANTHEM: "In the sound of song"

In the sound of song, praise the Lord, from depths of bass to tenor high, with alto joining every chord, full choir now taking up the cry: Praise the Lord, Alleluia!

When music tunes our songs of woe, and sorrow makes lament our tone, the Spirit breathes in hearts aglow to ground our bass in God alone. Praise the Lord, Alleluia!

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING [The people stand.]



David Kelley

Faith bids us sing notes high and low to sing of hope to God above for peace on earth for all to know and trust in Christ, the Lord of love. Praise the Lord, Alleluia! Amen.

Prayer B, Book of Common Prayer, p. 367

The Presider 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. [The Presider continues.]

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:





The Presider continues and gives thanks to God for the reconciling work of Christ and prays over the bread and wine.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Presider Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

People We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

The Presider continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.

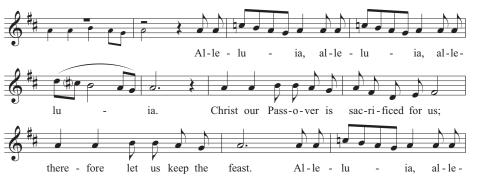
THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

People 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, MASS OF THE HOLY COMFORTER





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INVITATION [The People are seated.]

As Jesus welcomed all to his table, so do we at Holy Comforter. The bread and the wine are the central symbols of God's presence and we invite you to share in the Eucharist in whatever way feels comfortable to you, regardless of age or tradition. We also offer gluten-free bread and unfermented grape juice as alternatives—just let the priest know. If you prefer to receive a blessing, cross your arms in front of your chest. The Holy Eucharist is an outward and visible sign of an inward and spiritual grace, a mutual indwelling of Christ in us and us in him. Come to the table and be joined into Christ's ministry of love and reconciliation.

HEALING PRAYERS

Anyone wishing for healing prayers—whether for yourself or for another or for our hurting world—is invited to come to the prayer station in the back of the nave after receiving communion. You need only say as much as you wish, and anything said will be held in confidence.

COMMUNION MUSIC [Sung by all.]

HYMN 752 *[green hymnal]* "There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place" HYMN 819 *[green hymnal]* "Guide my feet Lord"

SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Presider In the name of God and of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the Communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

People We who are many are one body because we share one bread, one cup.

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER [Said by all.]

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

AT THE CLOSING, HYMN 423 "Immortal, invisible, God only wise" *Sung by all, standing.*

DISMISSAL [The people respond,] Thanks be to God.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY: Carillon

St. Denio

Doris Akers

African-American spiritual

Louis Vierne