

The Season of Pentecost
17 October 2021 at 11:00 AM

Call to Worship

WELCOME

Entrance hymn – Juntos como hermanos

JUNTOS COMO HERMANOS,
MIEMBROS DE UNA IGLESIA,
VAMOS CAMINANDO
AL ENCUENTRO DEL SEÑOR.

1. Un largo caminar,
Por el desierto, bajo el sol,
No podemos avanzar
Sin la ayuda del Señor.

2. Unidos al rezar,
Unidos en una canción,
Viviremos nuestra fe
Con la ayuda del Señor.

Presider Blessed by God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be God's Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

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 Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

[Hymn of Praise | Gloria]

Collect (Prayer) of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you. | El Señor sea con ustedes.
People **And also with you. | Y con tu espíritu.**

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.*

A Reading from Job 38:1-7, (34-41)

The LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind: "Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? Gird up your loins like a man, I will question you, and you shall declare to me. "Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements—surely you know. Or who stretched the line upon it? On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?"

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

Psalm 104:1-9, 25, 37b

- 1 Bless the LORD, O my soul; * O LORD my God,
how excellent is your greatness! you are clothed with majesty and splendor.
- 2 You wrap yourself with light as with a cloak *
and spread out the heavens like a curtain.
- 3 You lay the beams of your chambers in the waters above; *
you make the clouds your chariot; you ride on the wings of the wind.
- 4 You make the winds your messengers *
and flames of fire your servants.
- 5 You have set the earth upon its foundations, *
so that it never shall move at any time.
- 6 You covered it with the Deep as with a mantle; *
the waters stood higher than the mountains.
- 7 At your rebuke they fled; *
at the voice of your thunder they hastened away.
- 8 They went up into the hills and down to the valleys beneath, *
to the places you had appointed for them.
- 9 You set the limits that they should not pass; *
they shall not again cover the earth.
- 25 O LORD, how manifold are your works! *
in wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.
- 37b Hallelujah!

A Reading from Hebrews 5:1-10

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, “You are my Son, today I have begotten you”; as he says also in another place, “You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek.”

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

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

Gospel hymn – How great thou art LEVAS 60

1. O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
consider all the worlds Thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy pow’r throughout the universe displayed.

THEN SINGS MY SOUL, MY SAVIOUR GOD, TO THEE:
HOW GREAT THOU ART! HOW GREAT THOU ART! (2 times)

2. And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
he bled and died to take away my sin.

3. When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
and there proclaim, my God, how great thou art!

The Holy Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ, according to Mark 10:35-45

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."

When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

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

Message - The Rev. Audra Abt

HOLY PAUSE FOR REFLECTION – SPIRITUALITY OF GIVING

Who do you give your time to generously?

Who do you text or call regularly just to say hi and check in?

Who will you stay talking with for as long as they need you (either on the phone or text-chat or in-person)? And when? (as in, do you notice patterns in who you give this sort of time to, and times of the day or week when you're more likely to do it?)

Looking back over the past year and a half of the pandemic, what changes do you notice in how you give your time and attention to others? Do you use technology differently for this purpose? What gains and losses come with these changes?

Test me, O LORD, and try me; **examine my heart and my mind.** (Psalm 26:2)

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 GOD'S PEOPLE

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. *(Silence)*

For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Sam and Anne our Bishops; and for all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in the Church.

A Prayer for the Power of the Spirit Among the People of God

God of all power and love, we give thanks for your unfailing presence and the hope you provide in times of uncertainty and loss.

Send your Holy Spirit to enkindle in us your holy fire.

Revive us to live as Christ's body in the world:

a people who pray, worship, learn, break bread, share life, heal neighbors, bear good news, seek justice, rest and grow in the Spirit.

Wherever and however we gather,

unite us in common prayer and send us in common mission,

that we and the whole creation might be restored and renewed, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

I ask your prayers for the special needs and concerns of this congregation. *(Pause for prayers)*

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. *(Pause for prayers)*

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

(Pause for prayers)

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence

All: 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.

Leader Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. *Amen.*

THE PEACE

Presider The Peace of our Risen Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, AND BLESSING OUR LIVES

Birthday Prayer: O God, our times are in your hands. Look with favor, we pray, on your servant(s) _____, as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BRIEF ANNOUNCEMENTS

[Holy Communion continues here, if being celebrated]

BLESSING

Closing hymn – Lead me, guide me LEVAS 194 3vv

LEAD ME, GUIDE ME, ALONG THE WAY
FOR IF YOU LEAD ME I CANNOT STRAY
LORD, LET ME WALK EACH DAY WITH THEE
LEAD ME, O LORD, LEAD ME

1. I am weak and I need thy strength and power
to help me over my weakest hour;
Help me through the darkness thy face to see,
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.
2. Help me tread in the paths of righteousness,
be my aid when Satan and sin oppress;
I am putting all my trust in thee.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.
3. I am lost if you take your hand from me,
I am blind without thy light to see;
Lord, just always let me thy servant be.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

*Deacon
People*

Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth to the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit!
Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Our worship has ended, now our service begins.