March 21, 2021 - 10:00 a.m. **The Fifth Sunday in Lent**



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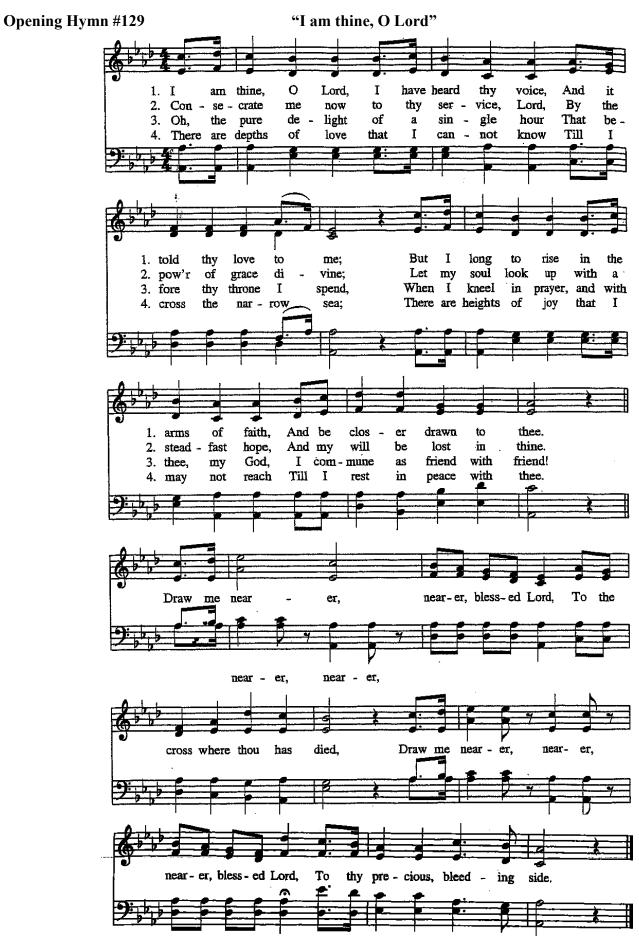
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The Holy Eucharist

Announcements



The Word of God

CelebrantBless the Lord who forgives all our sins;PeopleHis mercy endures forever.

The Word of the Lord.

The Collect of the Day

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

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

The Epistle

Hebrews 5:5-10

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.

People	Thanks be to God.		
Sequence Son	g: "Create In Me a Clean	Heart"	Bannister
	clean heart, O Lord my God	(REPEAT CHORUS)	
And renew a right spirit within me.	ight spirit within me.	(INSTRUMENTAL/BRIDGE)	
(REPEAT CH	ORUS)	(REPEAT VERSE)	
	way from Thy presence, O Lord,	(REPEAT CHORUS)	
Take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Thy salvation, O Lord, And renew a right spirit within me.		<i>(ENDING)</i> Within me.	

The Holy Gospel

People

John 12:20-33

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor. "Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say— 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

PeopleThe Gospel of the Lord.Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Kris Opat

Prayers of the People, Form IV

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer*.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer*.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer*.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer*.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer*.

Prayer List

We pray for all who are ill, or in any trouble, need or sorrow, especially for... Any affected, directly or indirectly, by COVID-19, Barb, Jen and Lana, Mark, Julie, Harper, & Trent, Allison, Sherry, Ernie, Eileen, Judy, Nancy, Don, Lindsey, Kelly, Jason, Joan, all those who serve in the armed forces of the United States, for all who fight in the conflicts of the world and for the day when war will finally cease. In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for St. Barnabas Episcopal Church in Brackenridge. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Church of England. We also pray for our siblings of Peters Creek Evangelical Presbyterian Church and those of The ACNA Parish of Christ the Redeemer South Hills.

(The People may add their own petitions.)

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Confession and Absolution

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

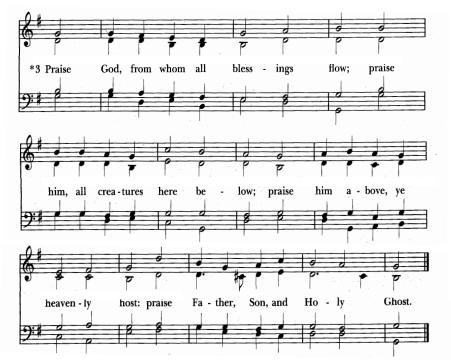
Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen*.

The Peace

CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

The Holy Communion

Presentation hymn: The Doxology

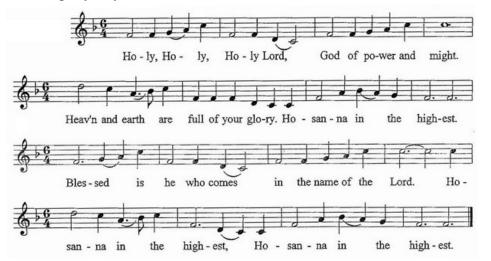


The Great Thanksgiving – Eucharistic Prayer A

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 God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you. 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:



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:

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

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.*

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

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. *Therefore let us keep the feast.*

The Gifts of God for the people of God.

Lord we believe that you are present in this most Holy Sacrament. Though I cannot receive the sacrament at this time, we know that your grace and love are always present and we receive your Holy Spirit into our hearts. Remind us of your presence and keep us until we are able to gather to receive again. Amen.



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Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

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

The Dismissal

People

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. *Thanks be to God!*

Announcements

Communion will be available after worship from 11-11:30am. Rev. Kris will be available to distribute communion under the portico for any who joined for worship virtually and wish to receive. If you are running late and want to come, please text Fr. Kris and let him know you're on your way (412-780-6212).

Outdoor Easter Service - If you're interested in attending an outdoor service on Easter morning (weather permitting), please email us in the office (stdavidspeterstwp@gmail.com) or fill out the google form in the weekly email.

Palm Sunday - Palms are blessed and ready for pickup either after worship today OR you can stop by the office this Wednesday or Friday from 12:30-3pm (call/text Melissa to be let in: 828-606-7697). Additional palms will be available for distribution immediately following Palm Sunday service during communion distribution.

Easter Flowers - While in-person service will be smaller this year, we will still have some flowers to adorn the alter for Easter. If interested in contributing in memory of or in thanksgiving for someone, please fill out the google form found in the weekly email. Checks can be mailed to the church (please put "Easter Flowers" in the memo).

Save the Date: VBS will be the first week of August (Aug 3-6). We will absolutely need volunteers so if that date works for your family, please reach out to Caylin Charrie (caylinroach@yahoo.com or 724-777-4791).

Summer Camp will begin June 8 and run through July 29th on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 9 -1. The cost is \$35/day and you can sign up for as many or few days as you like. Registration begins March 15th. If interested in being added to the mailing list for the registration link or if you have questions please email Beth at the preschool (stdavidspreschool@gmail.com).