

October 31, 2021 - 10:00 a.m.

The Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost



St. David's Episcopal Church
...reaching out to warmly welcome all.

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The Holy Eucharist

Announcements

Opening Song:

“Blessed Be Your Name”

Redman & Redman

(VERSE 1)

Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful,
Where Your streams of abundance flow, blessed be
Your name.

(VERSE 2)

Blessed be Your name, When I'm found in the desert
place,
Though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be
Your name.

(PRE-CHORUS)

Ev'ry blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise,
When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say:

(CHORUS)

Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your
name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glo-
rious name.

(VERSE 3)

Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down
on me,
When the world's all as it should be, blessed be Your
name.

(VERSE 4)

Blessed be Your name on the road marked with suf-
fering,
Though there's pain in the offering, blessed be Your
name.

(PRE-CHORUS)

(CHORUS)

(BRIDGE (2X))

You give and take away, You give and take away.
My heart will choose to say Lord, blessed be Your
name.

(CHORUS (2X))

The Word of God

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;
People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

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

Almighty and merciful God, it is only by your gift that your faithful people offer you true and laudable service: Grant that we may run without stumbling to obtain your heavenly promises; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

(The Children depart for Children's Church. Any who wish to remain in the service are welcome to do so.)

The Epistle

Hebrews 9:11-14

When Christ came as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation), he entered once for all into the Holy Place, not with the blood of goats and calves, but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. For if the blood of goats and bulls, with the sprinkling of the ashes of a heifer, sanctifies those who have been defiled so that their flesh is purified, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to worship the living God!

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

Sequence Song:**“More Love, More Power”****Del Hierro***(VERSE)*

More love, more power, more of You in my life.
 More love, more power, more of You in my life.

(CHORUS 1)

And I will worship You with all of my heart,
 And I will worship You with all of my mind,
 And I will worship You with all of my strength
 For You are my Lord.

*(VERSE)**(CHORUS 2)*

And I will seek Your face with all of my heart,
 And I will seek Your face with all of my mind,
 And I will seek Your face with all of my strength
 For You are my Lord.

*(CHORUS 1)**(ENDING)*

For You are my Lord,
 You are my God.

The Holy Gospel**Mark 12:28-34**

People The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

One of the scribes came near and heard the Saducees disputing with one another, and seeing that Jesus answered them well, he asked him, “Which commandment is the first of all?” Jesus answered, “The first is, ‘Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.’ The second is this, ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no other commandment greater than these.” Then the scribe said to him, “You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that ‘he is one, and besides him there is no other’; and ‘to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength,’ and ‘to love one’s neighbor as oneself,’ —this is much more important than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices.” When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, “You are not far from the kingdom of God.” After that no one dared to ask him any question.

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

The Sermon**The Rev. Kris Opat****Prayers of the People, Form VI***(The Leader and People pray responsively)*

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 Ketlen our Bishop-elect, and for all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in God's Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

(Silence)

(The People may add their own petitions)

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, Elizabeth, Mike, Luke, & Caleb, Jeff, Sharon, John, Robert, Jean, Judie, Regis, Paul, Eileen, 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 Church of the Redeemer in Squirrel Hill. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for The Episcopal/Anglican Province of Alexandria. We also pray for our fellow Christians of Peters Creek Evangelical Presbyterian Church and those of The ACNA Parish of Christ the Redeemer South Hills.

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

(Silence)

(The People may add their own thanksgivings)

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.

(The People may add their own petitions)

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

(Silence may be kept.)

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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

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

The Holy Communion

The Offering Song:

“One Thing Remains”

Johnson, Riddle, & Gifford

(VERSE 1)

Higher than the mountains that I face.
Stronger than the power of the grave.
Constant in the trial and the change.
One thing remains, one thing remains.

(CHORUS)

Your love never fails, it never gives up, never runs out
on me. (3X)
Your love.

(VERSE 2)

On and on and on and on it goes.
It overwhelms and satisfies my soul.
And I never, ever have to be afraid.
One thing remains, one thing remains.

(CHORUS)

(BRIDGE)

In death, in life, I'm confident and covered by
The pow'r of Your great love.
My debt is paid; There's nothing that can separate
My heart from Your great love.

(CHORUS)

(VERSE 1)

(ENDING)

Your love.

Presentation hymn: The Doxology

*3 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise
him, all crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye
heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving – Eucharistic Prayer B

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. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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:



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of po- wer and might.
Heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high-est.
Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

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

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 David and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; 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. *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

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

The Gifts of God for the people of God.

(For Communion, you may come forward to receive and take a wine cup to the end of the altar rail, where you may remove your mask and consume. Place cups in the bin. Gluten-free available.)

Communion Hymn: #189

“Great is Thy faithfulness”

1. Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther,
2. Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,
3. Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

1. There is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee;
2. Sun, moon and stars in their cours - es a - bove,
3. Thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide;

1. Thou chang - est not, thy com - pas - sions, they fail not,
2. Join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness,
3. Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,

1. As thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.
2. To thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy and love.
3. Bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

Great is thy faith-ful-ness! Great is thy faith-ful-ness!

Morn - ing by morn - ing new mer - cies I see;

All I have need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid - ed,

Great is Thy faith - ful-ness, Lord un - to me!

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

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

Announcements

Bishop Consecration - On behalf of the Transition Committee of the Diocese of Pittsburgh, we want to, once again, invite you to attend the ordination and consecration of **the Rev. Dr. Ketlen A. Solak as the IX Bishop of Pittsburgh**. This glorious service presided over by The Most Reverend Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop, will be held at **11 a.m. on Saturday, November 13, at [Calvary Episcopal Church](#), 315 Shady Avenue, East Liberty!** Admission is by ticket only, but everyone is welcome to apply for a ticket. **Whether you are attending as a guest or are in the service itself (i.e., clergy, choir, lay leaders, etc.), you must [fill out the form](#) on the diocesan website with proof of vaccination** as soon as possible. Those correctly registered will receive a ticket via email a few days before the service.

Communion Celebration - If you/your child is interested in learning about the sacrament of communion, Father Kris will be holding informal classes this fall. Please email us in the office if interested and Father Kris will reach out to schedule with you.

All Saints Day Remembrances - All Saint's Day is Nov. 1st and we will be celebrating this major feast of the church on Sunday, November 7th. As part of worship we are going to light candles in remembrance of our loved ones who have died this year. If you have had a loved one die since last November and would like their name printed in the bulletin, please email their name(s) to the office (stdavidspeterstwp@gmail.com). You will be invited to light a candle in their memory during the service.

Children's Church is being held every Sunday during worship. As more families return to in-person worship we will need more volunteers to help. We're currently looking for a second helper as needed for large groups or to split age groups. If you're willing and able to volunteer, please contact Caylin Charrie (stdavidschildmin@gmail.com). You will also need your clearances on file with us in the office. Caylin is hosting a virtual "safety" meeting on November 4th. Please reach out if you'd like to attend and haven't received an email invite.

Labyrinth - All are welcome to visit the new labyrinth located in the back of the church. A labyrinth is a patterned path, often circular in form, used as a walking meditation or spiritual practice. A labyrinth's walkway is arranged in such a way that the participant moves back and forth across the circular form through a series of curves, ending at the labyrinths 's heart or center. The labyrinth is a sacred place set aside for you to reflect, look within, pray, negotiate new behavior. Special thanks to SarahScott Dietz for envisioning and executing this project . For more information in labyrinths, visit <https://www.verywellfit.com/walking-the-labyrinth-3435825>

Grounds Cleanup - If you're interested in coming out to help weed around the grounds, please feel free to come any time.

Preschool Fundraiser - The preschool is having a fundraiser through Sarris Candies this fall. Ordering will be completely online. If you'd like to support the preschool through this fundraiser, please visit sarriscandiesfundraising.com and use the Group ID #: 10-1298 when ordering.