

Last Sunday after Trinity

INTRODUCTION

INTROIT HYMN— **602** *Celebration Hymnal*

In the name of the Father, and of ✠ the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

All respond: Amen.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

The PRAYERS OF PENITENCE are introduced.

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you,
through our own fault,
in thought, and word, and deed,
and in what we have left undone.
We are heartily sorry,
and repent of all our sins.**

**For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may serve you
in newness of life,
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly
repent, have mercy upon you, pardon ✠ and
deliver you from all your sins, confirm and
strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you
in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

KYRIE ELEÏSON is sung.

**Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS is sung.

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to
his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God
and Father, we worship you, we give you
thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the
sin of the world: have mercy on us; you**

**are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you
alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most
High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in
the glory ✠ of God the Father. Amen.**

All remain standing for the COLLECT.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures
to be written for our learning: help us so to
hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly
digest them that, through patience, and the
comfort of your holy word, we may embrace
and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting
life, which you have given us in our Saviour
Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in
the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and
ever. **Amen.**

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Readings for Year A, Proper 25

FIRST READING

Lev 19.1–2,15–18

A reading from the book of Leviticus.

The Lord spoke to Moses, saying, “Speak to all
the congregation of the people of Israel and
say to them, You shall be holy, for I the Lord
your God am holy.

“You shall do no injustice in court. You
shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the
great, but in righteousness shall you judge
your neighbour. You shall not go around
as a slanderer among your people, and you
shall not stand up against the life of your
neighbour: I am the Lord.

“You shall not hate your brother in your
heart, but you shall reason frankly with your
neighbour, lest you incur sin because of him.
You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge
against the sons of your own people, but you
shall love your neighbour as yourself: I am the
Lord.”

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

R. Happy the man who has placed his trust
in the Lord. (*All repeat*)

Happy indeed is the man
who follows not the counsel of the wicked,
nor lingers in the way of sinners,
nor sits in the company of the scornful. R.

His delight is in the law of the Lord,
and he meditates on his law day and night.
He is like a tree planted beside flowing waters,
that yields its fruit in due season. R.

It is not so with the wicked:
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
For the Lord guards the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked leads to doom. R.

SECOND READING

1 The 2.1–8

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the
Thessalonians.

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters,
that our coming to you was not in vain. But
though we had already suffered and been
shamefully treated at Philippi, as you know, we
had boldness in our God to declare to you the
gospel of God in the midst of much conflict.
For our appeal does not spring from error or
impurity or any attempt to deceive, but just as
we have been approved by God to be entrusted
with the gospel, so we speak, not to please
man, but to please God who tests our hearts.
For we never came with words of flattery, as
you know, nor with a pretext for greed – God
is witness. Nor did we seek glory from people,
whether from you or from others, though
we could have made demands as apostles of
Christ. But we were gentle among you, like
a nursing mother taking care of her own
children. So, being affectionately desirous of
you, we were ready to share with you not only
the gospel of God but also our own selves,
because you had become very dear to us.

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Alleluia.

Whoever keeps the word of Christ:
is made perfect in the love of God.

Alleluia.

GOSPEL READING

Mt 22.34–46

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Hear the Gospel ✠ of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together. And one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. “Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?” And he said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.”

Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them a question, saying, “What do you think about the Christ? Whose son is he?” They said to him, “The son of David.” He said to them, “How is it then that David, in the Spirit, calls him Lord, saying, ‘The Lord said to my Lord, Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet’? If then David calls him Lord, how is he his son?” And no-one was able to answer him a word, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

A SERMON *may follow.*

All stand to recite 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, *(all bow)* was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man. *(all rise)* 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who 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 INTERCESSIONS are introduced, and all kneel. One of these responses may be used:
V. Lord, hear us. R. **Lord, graciously hear us.**
or V. Lord, in your mercy, R. **Hear our prayer.**

At the Commemoration of the Departed:
V. Rest eternal ✠ grant unto them, O Lord;
R. **And let light perpetual shine upon them.**

The Intercessions may end:
Merciful Father,
Accept these prayers, for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

All stand as the priest introduces the PEACE.
The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

The people unite their prayers with the priest, who says the PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS.

Pray, my brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his Church.

God of majesty, look with favour on the gifts we offer, and grant that this expression of our service may serve to give you glory; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The PREFACE follows.

All respond with the SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS.
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he ✠ who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

All kneel. After the Consecration, all acclaim:
Great is the mystery of faith:
Christ has died; Christ is risen;
Christ will come again.

The Eucharistic Prayer continues, and ends:
... for ever and ever. **Amen.**

RITE OF COMMUNION

The priest introduces the LORD'S PRAYER.
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, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The priest breaks the Host; AGNUS DEI is sung.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: grant us peace.

The priest gives the COMMUNION INVITATION.
 Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.
Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

Holy Communion is distributed.

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The priest says the POST-COMMUNION prayer.
 God of all grace, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread; who lives and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

CONCLUSION

The priest gives the BLESSING and DISMISSAL.
 The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

... The blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

1. **God is our strength and refuge,
 our present help in trouble,
 and we therefore will not fear,
 though the earth should change!
 Though mountains shake and tremble,
 though swirling floods are raging,
 God the Lord of hosts is with us evermore!**

2. **There is a flowing river
 within God's holy city;
 God is in the midst of her –
 she shall not be moved!
 God's help is swiftly given;
 thrones vanish at his presence –
 God the Lord of hosts is with us evermore!**

3. **Come, see the works of our maker,
 learn of his deeds all-powerful:
 wars will cease across the world
 when he shatters the spear!
 Be still and know your creator;
 uplift him in the nations –
 God the Lord of hosts is with us evermore!**

The service may be followed by the ANGELUS.
 V. The angel of the Lord declared unto Mary:
 R. **And she conceived by the Holy Spirit.**
 Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee;
 blessed art thou among women,
 and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
**Holy Mary, Mother of God,
 pray for us sinners, now,
 and at the hour of our death. Amen.**

V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord:
 R. **Be it unto me according to thy word.**
 Hail Mary ...

V. And the Word was made flesh:
 R. **And dwelt among us.**
 Hail Mary ...

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God:
 R. **That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.**

Let us pray. Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord, your grace into our hearts; that we to whom the Incarnation of Christ, your Son, was made known by the message of an angel, may by his Passion and Cross ✠ be brought to the glory of his Resurrection; through the same Christ our Lord. **Amen.**