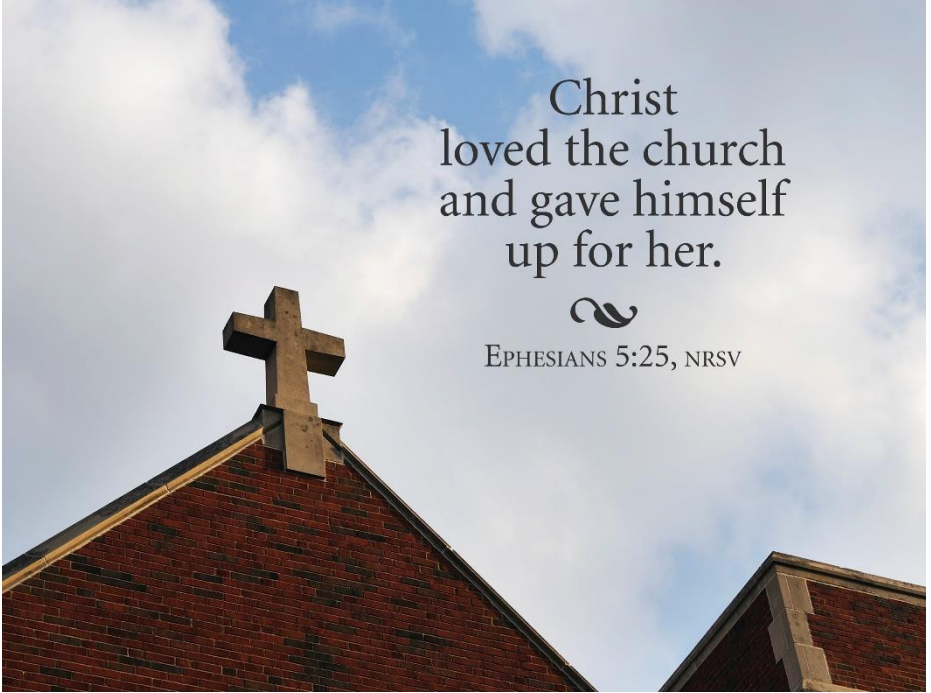


Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
August 25, 2024
10:30 AM

Christ
loved the church
and gave himself
up for her.



EPHESIANS 5:25, NRSV



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WELCOME

PRELUDE

Stand

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

[P] In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **[C] Amen.**

[P] Beloved in the Lord; Let us confess to God our Father and to one another that we have not reflected His love for us in our relationships with others.

[P] Our help is in the name of the Lord.

[C] who made heaven and earth.

[P] I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

[C] and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Kneel/Remain Standing

Silence for reflection on God's Word and self-examination.

[P] O almighty God, merciful Father,

[C] I confess that I have sinned in thought, word and deed. I have not honored parents and others in authority out of fear and love of God. I have not been respectful in my interactions with other men or women. I have acted selfishly instead of helping and cherishing people in wholesome and loving ways. Forgive me and strengthen me that I may willingly serve, nurture, and care for others.

[P] Purely out of His infinite love, Christ gave Himself up for His Church. Through water and the Word He has made us members of His body, so that we may be holy and without blemish. Therefore, as a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **[C] Amen.**

Stand

GREETING OF PEACE

Introduce yourself to those around you, greeting them with the greeting of peace.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

HYMN "Speak, O Lord, Your Servant Listens"

1 Speak, O Lord, Your ser - vant lis - tens, Let Your Word to
 2 Oh, what bless - ing to be near You And to lis - ten
 3 Lord, Your words are wa - ters liv - ing When my thirst - ing
 4 As I pray, dear Je - sus, hear me; Let Your words in

me come near; New - born life and spir - it give me,
 to Your voice; Let me ev - er love and hear You,
 spir - it pleads. Lord, Your words are bread life - giv - ing;
 me take root. May Your Spir - it e'er be near me

Let each prom - ise still my fear. Death's dread pow'r, its in - ward
 Let Your Word be now my choice! Man - y hard - ened sin - ners,
 On Your words my spir - it feeds. Lord, Your words will be my
 That I bear a - bun - dant fruit. May I dai - ly sing Your

strife, Wars a - gainst Your Word of life; Fill me, Lord, with
 Lord, Flee in ter - ror at Your Word; But to all who
 light Through death's cold and drea - ry night; Yes, they are my
 praise, From my heart glad an - thems raise, Till my high - est

love's strong fer - vor That I cling to You for - ev - er!
 feel sin's bur - den You give words of peace and par - don.
 sword pre - val - ing And my cup of joy un - fail - ing!
 praise is giv - en In the end - less joy of heav - en.

GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C** And also with you.

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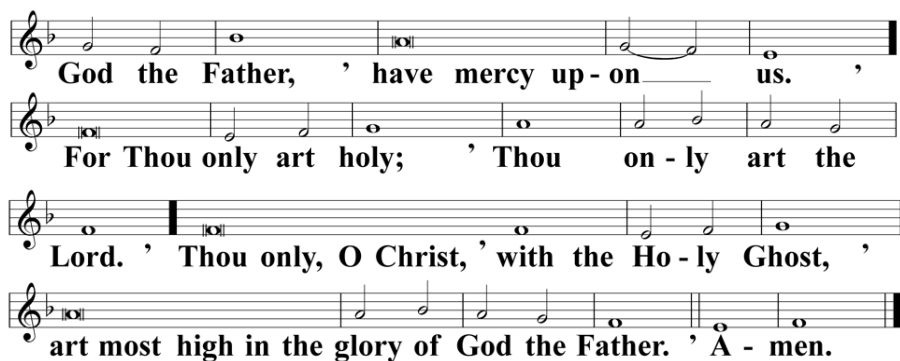
C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

P Glory be to God on high;

C And on earth peace, good will toward

all. ' We praise Thee, ' we bless Thee, ' we wor-ship Thee, ' we glorify Thee, ' we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory. ' O Lord God, ' heav'n-ly King, ' God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. ' O Lord, the only-begotten Son, ' Je - sus Christ; ' O Lord God, ' Lamb of God, ' Son of the Father, ' That takest away the sin of the world, ' have mercy up-on us. ' Thou that takest away the sin of the world, ' re-ceive our prayer. ' Thou that sittest at the right hand of



SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you. **C** **And also with you.**

P Let us pray. Almighty and merciful God, defend Your Holy Church, which You have made spotless with the blood of Your Son, that we hold fast to Your Word and rejoice in all of Your goodness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sit

Children are invited to the Fireside Lounge for the Children's Lesson.

SCRIPTURE LESSON Ephesians 5:21 - 6:9

Out of respect for Christ, be courteously reverent to one another.

Wives, understand and support your husbands in ways that show your support for Christ. The husband provides leadership to his wife the way Christ does to his church, not by domineering but by cherishing. So just as the church submits to Christ as he exercises such leadership, wives should likewise submit to their husbands.

Husbands, go all out in your love for your wives, exactly as Christ did for the church—a love marked by giving, not getting. Christ's love makes the church whole. His words evoke her beauty. Everything he does and says is designed to bring the best out of her, dressing her in dazzling white silk, radiant with holiness. And that is how husbands ought to love their wives. They're really doing themselves a favor—since they're already “one” in marriage.

No one abuses his own body, does he? No, he feeds and pampers it. That's how Christ treats us, the church, since we are part of his body. And this is why a man leaves father and mother and cherishes his wife. No longer two, they become “one flesh.” This is a huge mystery, and I don't pretend to understand it all. What is

clearest to me is the way Christ treats the church. And this provides a good picture of how each husband is to treat his wife, loving himself in loving her, and how each wife is to honor her husband.

Children, do what your parents tell you. This is only right. “Honor your father and mother” is the first commandment that has a promise attached to it, namely, “so you will live well and have a long life.”

Fathers, don’t frustrate your children with no-win scenarios. Take them by the hand and lead them in the way of the Master.

Servants, respectfully obey your earthly masters but always with an eye to obeying the *real* master, Christ. Don’t just do what you have to do to get by, but work heartily, as Christ’s servants doing what God wants you to do. And work with a smile on your face, always keeping in mind that no matter who happens to be giving the orders, you’re really serving God. Good work will get you good pay from the Master, regardless of whether you are slave or free.

Masters, it’s the same with you. No abuse, please, and no threats. You and your servants are both under the same Master in heaven. He makes no distinction between you and them.

R This is the Word of the Lord. **C** **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

ALLELUIA AND VERSE



APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven,

And sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

**From thence He will come again to judge the living and
the dead.**

**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. Amen.**

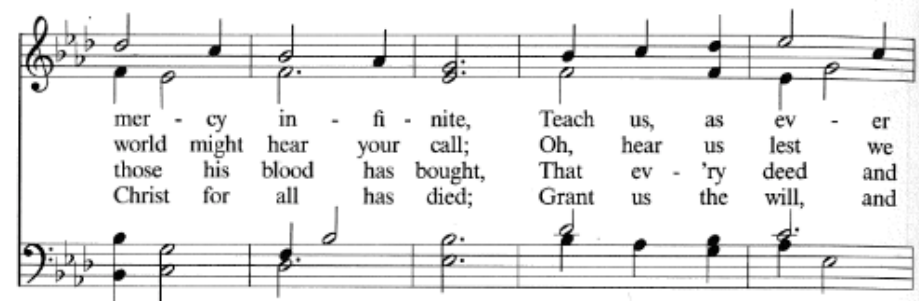
Sit

MESSAGE

HYMN "O God of Mercy"



1 O God of mer - cy, God of light, In love and
 2 You sent your Son to die for all, That our lost
 3 Teach us the les - son Je - sus taught: To feel for
 4 For all are kin - dred, far and wide, Since Je - sus



mer - cy in - fi - nite, Teach us, as ev - er
 world might hear your call; Oh, hear us lest we
 those his blood has bought, That ev - 'ry deed and
 Christ for all has died; Grant us the will, and



in your sight, To live our lives in you.
 stray and fall! We rest our hope in you.
 word and thought May work a work for you.
 grace pro - vide To love them all in you.

5 In sickness, sorrow, want, or care,
 Each other's burdens help us share;
 May we, where help is needed, there
 Give help as though to you.

6 And may your Holy Spirit move
 All those who live to live in love,
 Till you receive in heav'n above
 Those who have lived to you.

Text: Godfrey Thring, 1823-1903, alt.
 Tune: Joseph Barnby, 1838-1896

JUST AS I AM
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PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

Other prayers are inserted here. Each petition ends with "Lord, in your mercy," to which the congregation responds, "Hear our prayer."

The prayers conclude:

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

Sit

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

You may contribute online using the QR code or place a gift in offering plate at the door along with the interest sheet.



OFFERTORY MUSIC

Stand

OFFERTORY SONG

C Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

The Lord be with you.

■ And with thy spir - it.

○ Lift up your hearts.

■ We lift them up un - to the Lord.

○ Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.

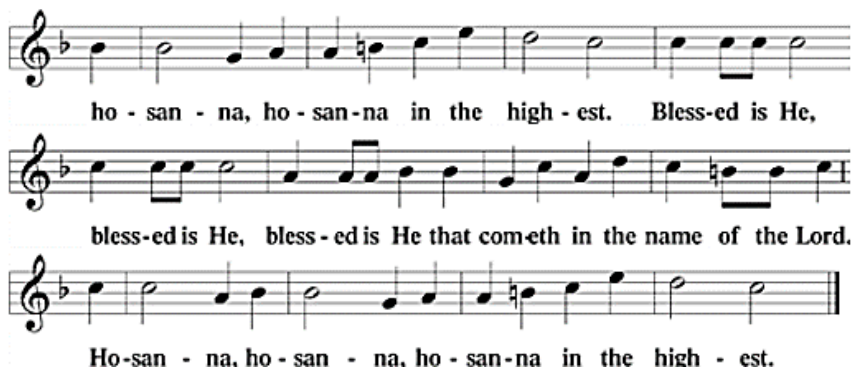
■ It is meet and right so to do.

○ It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

■ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;

heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

P In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

LORD'S PRAYER

Recognizing that the church, and this congregation, are comprised of people from many cultures, languages, and backgrounds, please speak this prayer in the language or version closest to your heart.

C 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, forever and ever. Amen.

LAMB OF GOD

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

THE DISTRIBUTION *You are invited to approach the altar to receive communion elements along with an individual cup of wine or grape juice. Gluten-free available.*

HYMN

“Lord Whose Love Through Humble Service”

1 Lord, whose love through hum-ble ser - vice Bore the weight of
2 Still Your chil - dren wan-der home-less; Still the hun - gry
3 As we wor - ship, grant us vi - sion, Till Your love's re -
4 Called by wor - ship to Your ser - vice, Forth in Your dear

hu - man need, Who up - on the cross, for - sak - en,
cry for bread; Still the cap - tives long for free - dom;
veal - ing light In its height and depth and great - ness,
name we go, To the child, the youth, the a - ged,



Of - fered mer - cy's per - fect deed, We, Your ser - vants, bring the
Still in grief we mourn our dead. As, O Lord, Your deep com -
Dawns up - on our quick - ened sight, Mak - ing known the needs and
Love in liv - ing deeds to show; Hope and health, good - will and

wor - ship Not of voice a - lone, but heart, Con - se -
pas - sion Healed the sick and freed the soul, Use the
bur - dens Your com - pas - sion bids us bear, Stir - ring
com - fort, Coun - sel, aid, and peace we give, That Your

crat - ing to Your pur - pose Ev - 'ry gift that You im - part.
love Your Spir - it kin - dles Still to save and make us whole.
us to tire - less striv - ing, Your a - bun - dant life to share.
ser - vants, Lord, in free - dom May Your mer - cy know and live.

[P] *The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart in peace.* **[C]** **Amen.**

NUNC DIMITTIS



[C] Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac -
cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,

a light to light-en the Gen-tiles and the glo-ry of Thy
 peo-ple Is - ra-el. Glo-ry be to the Father and
 to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
 is now, and ev-er shall be, world without end. A-men.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

- [P] Let us pray.
- [P] O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in the Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **[C] Amen.**

BENEDICTION

- [P] The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. **[C] Amen.**
- [P] Go in peace; serve the Lord. **[C] Thanks be to God.**

CLOSING HYMN “Church’s One Foundation”

1 The Church's one foun-da-tion Is Je-sus Christ, her Lord;
 2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na-tion, Yet one o'er all the earth;
 3 Though with a scorn-ful won-der The world sees her op-pressed,
 4 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion And tu - mult of her war

She is His new cre - a - tion By wa - ter and the Word.
 Her char - ter of sal - va - tion: One Lord, one faith, one birth.
 By schisms rent a - sun - der, By her - e - sies dis-tressed,
 She waits the con - sum - ma - tion Of peace for - ev - er - more

From heav'n He came and sought her To be His ho - ly bride;
 One ho - ly name she bless - es, Par - takes one ho - ly food,
 Yet saints their watch are keep - ing; Their cry goes up, "How long?"
 Till with the vi - sion glo - rious Her long - ing eyes are blest,

With His own blood He bought her, And for her life He died.
 And to one hope she press - es With ev - 'ry grace en - dued,
 And soon the night of weep - ing Shall be the morn of song.
 And the great Church vic - to - rious Shall be the Church at rest.

5 Yet she on earth has union
 With God, the Three in One,
 And mystic sweet communion
 With those whose rest is won.
 O blessèd heav'nly chorus!
 Lord, save us by Your grace
 That we, like saints before us,
 May see You face to face.

Text: Samuel J. Stone, 1839–1900, alt.; Spanish tr. Lefferd M. A. Haughwout, 1873–1952
 Music: Samuel S. Wesley, 1810–76

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Eph. 2:20; 4:4–6; 1 Cor. 10:16–17; Rev 7:14b–17

POSTLUDE

Our Confession about Communion

1. Holy Communion is a divinely instituted act in which Jesus Christ gives His true (real) body and blood under the forms of bread and wine. We thus hold that the bread and wine are not mere symbols of Jesus' body and blood. When we receive the bread and wine we receive in fact the body and blood of Christ for the forgiveness of sins.

2. We believe that Communion is a celebration of this forgiveness which comes to us through faith as we eat and drink. In communion we remember our Lord's passion and death, His resurrection and ascension, and the promise of His coming again. Communion is truly the Gospel made visible, and is offered for those who "hunger and thirst after righteousness."

3. We believe that as we eat and drink this Supper we are strengthened in our faith in Jesus Christ and in our love for one another.

Therefore, we invite to the Lord's Table all who:

a. have been instructed in the meaning of Communion; have been baptized in the name of the Triune God; have received Jesus Christ as their own personal and living Savior and Lord, and concur in our confession;

b. are not living in open rebellion against the Word of God, and do not hold willful and persistent form of hatred, resentment or anger against any other person.

Those who have questions about communion are welcome to talk to one of the Pastors.

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