SUMMER SEASON: PROPER 16 | THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Jesus' words are of spirit and life.

About this Gathering

Summer season propers is a period of reflection for Christ-followers on the Crucified Risen Christ Jesus that aims to encourage us to learn and practice Reign of God discipleship. Please lift your voice in hymns, worship and prayer!

Prelude

Hymn 460 | Alleluia! Sing to Jesus



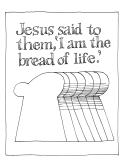
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THE WORD OF GOD

We wait in hope for God;

who is our help and our shield.

Our hearts rejoice in God

in whose holy Name we put our trust.

Let your loving-kindness, O God, be upon us,

for we have put our trust in you.

Blessed be our God.

For ever and ever. Amen.

Song of Praise | *Gloria, gloria, gloria* | Sung twice. Your choice of language.



Collect

God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory 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*.

Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18 | The ceremony of the annual renewal of the covenant between God and Israel.

A Reading from the Book of Joshua.

Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel, and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, "Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: Long ago your ancestors—Terah and his sons Abraham and Nahor—lived beyond the Euphrates and served other gods. "Now, therefore, revere the Lord and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt and serve the Lord. Now if you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living, but as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord."Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods, for it is the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went and among all the peoples through whom we passed, and the Lord drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God." Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 34:15-22 | The psalmist gives thanks for deliverance and testifies to God's goodness.

Let us read Psalm 34 responsively.

The eyes of the LORD are upon the righteous, * and his ears are open to their cry.

The face of the LORD is against those who do evil, * to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.

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The righteous cry, and the LORD hears them * and delivers them from all their troubles.
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The LORD is near to the brokenhearted * and will save those whose spirits are crushed. Many are the troubles of the righteous, * but the LORD will deliver him out of them all. He will keep safe all his bones; * not one of them shall be broken.

Evil shall slay the wicked, *

and those who hate the righteous will be punished.

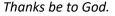
The LORD ransoms the life of his servants, * and none will be punished who trust in him.

Ephesians 6:10-20 | Christ-followers are to "be strong" filled by the faith of the Lord.

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Ephesus.

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power; put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil, for our struggle is not against blood and flesh but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on the evil day and, having prevailed against everything, to stand firm. Stand, therefore, and belt your waist with truth and put on the breastplate of righteousness and lace up your sandals in preparation for the gospel of peace. With all of these, [d] take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.





Hymn 440 | Bless'd Jesus, at thy word

John 6:56-69 | We hear different responses to Jesus' claim that he is the heavenly bread that gives eternal life.

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which the ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever." He said these things while he was teaching in a synagogue at Capernaum. When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?" But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, "Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life.But among you there are some who do not believe." For Jesus knew from the beginning who were the ones who did not believe and who was the one who would betray him. And he said, "For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father. Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, "Do you also wish to go away?" Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God."

The Gospel of our Savior.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Creed | Sung to Nettleton



Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926); Music: Nettleton, melody from A Repository of Sacred Music, Part II, 1813

Prayers of the People

Bless our questions and the stirring of our hearts. Grant us wonder and delight in your mystery. We come before you, O God, saying

Bless us and keep us close.

We pray for your church, that we may be alert to your stirring, and aware of your presence. Guide and strengthen those in leadership: our bishops, priests, deacons and lay leaders. Empower all who in your name worship and serve in your church. We come before you, O God, saying

Bless us and keep us close.

Our hearts ache for people around the world who live in poverty, hunger, and oppression. Keep us mindful of their needs, and move us to make a difference in their lives. We come before you, O God, saying

Bless us and keep us close.

We are surrounded by people who are in pain, physically and spiritually, especially: ________. We pray that they are upheld by our prayers and come to know healing in their lives. We come before you, O God, saying

Bless us and keep us close.

Some among us are dying and some have passed into eternal life. We pray for them as well as those who mourn, especially: ______ and we ask that all may be assured of your unending presence and your promise of life eternal with your saints in light. We come before you, O God, saying

Bless us and keep us close.

We come to you as disciples. May your love be known in the words we say and the lives we live. We come before you, O God, saying

Bless us and keep us close.

In Jesus's name we pray. We come before you, O God, saying

Bless us and keep us close.

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins to God.

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

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

Peace

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

HOLY COMMUNION | Please share Communion with us

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Hymn 316 | This is the hour of banquet and of song



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The Great Thanksgiving

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life.

"Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

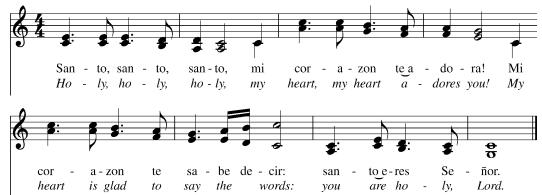
We lift them to God.

Let us give thanks to our God.

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, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Savior, who rose victorious from the dead and comforts us with the blessed hope of everlasting life. For to your faithful people, O God, life is changed, not ended; and when our mortal body lies in death, there is prepared for us a dwelling place eternal in the heavens. 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:

WLP 785 | Santo, santo, santo Holy, holy, holy | Sung twice. Your choice of language.



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 Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, 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 Savior 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 Jesus 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 Christ's death, We proclaim Christ's resurrection, We await Christ's coming in glory;*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior 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 in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, 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 Mary Magdalene and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN**.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

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The Breaking of the Bread | Taizé Hymn | Eat This Bread | vs. 1 & 2

Refrain Opt. A

- 1 I am the bread of life, the true bread sent from the Father *Refrain Opt. B*
- 2 Your ancestors ate manna in the desert, but this is the bread come down from heaven *Refrain Opt. A*



Communion

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Following Jesus' prophetic example to welcome everyone to His table, St. Mary's welcomes everyone to take communion with us.

Post Communion | Taizé Hymn | Eat This Bread | vs. 3, 4 & 5

Refrain Opt. A

3 Eat my flesh and drink my blood, and I will raise you up on the last day. *Refrain Opt. B*

4 Any one who eats this bread, will live forever,

RefrainOpt. A

5 If you believe and eat this bread, you will have enteral life. *Refrain Opt. B*

Sending Prayer

Let us pray together.

God of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in your Son and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name. Amen.

Blessing Over the People

May Jesus the Christ who has nourishes us with himself, the living bread, make you one in praise and love, and raise you up at the last day and may the blessing of God Creator, Redeemer and Giver of life be with you always. *Amen*.

Hymn 376 | Joyful, joyful, we adore thee



Dismissal

Go forth now, into the world in Peace; Be of good courage; Hold fast to that which is good, Render to no one evil for evil; Strengthen the fainthearted; Support the weak; Help the afflicted; Honor everyone; Go in peace to love and serve Jesus Christ our Savior.

Thanks be to God.