Church of St. Clare -- Worship Aid



Sixth Sunday of Easter - May 9, 2021

Opening: "Glory in the Cross"

- Let us ever glory in the cross of Christ, our salvation and our hope. Let us bow in homage to the Lord of Life, who was broken to make us whole. There is no greater love, as blessed as this: to lay down one's life for a friend. Let us ever glory in the cross of Christ and the triumph of God's great love.
- 2. Let us ever glory in the cross of Christ, who is risen from the grave. He will come in glory to receive our hearts at the dawn of the lasting day. For the trumpet will sound, the dead shall be raised, and death shall defeat us no more. Let us ever glory in the cross of Christ and the triumph of God's great love.
- 3. Let us raise our voices to the cross of Christ where the earth and heaven unite. God has wed creation on the tree of hope where the darkness becomes our light. Let us join in the dance of heaven and earth, give thanks for the goodness of God. Let us ever glory in the cross of Christ and the triumph of God's great love.

<u>Gloria:</u>

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory. Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, only begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. 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, A-men.

<u>1st Reading ACTS 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48</u>

When Peter entered, Cornelius met him and, falling at his feet, paid him homage. Peter, however, raised him up, saying, "Get up. I myself am also a human being." Then Peter proceeded to speak and said, "In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him." While Peter was still speaking these things, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who were listening to the word. The circumcised believers who had accompanied Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit should have been poured out on the Gentiles also, for they could hear them speaking in tongues and glorifying God. Then Peter responded, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit even as we have?" He ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. *The Word of the Lord*

R. Thanks be to God.

Psalm: "The Lord has Revealed to the Nations"

R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving pow'r, his saving pow'r.

- 1. Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done wondrous deeds; His right hand has won the victory for him, his holy arm.
- 2. The Lord has made his salvation known: in the sight of the nations, he has revealed his justice. He has remembered his kindness and his faithfulness toward the house of Israel.
- 3. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation by our God. Sing joyfully to the Lord, all you lands; break in to song; sing praise.

2nd Reading 1 In 4:7-10

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is of God; everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. Whoever is without love does not know God, for God is love. In this way the love of God was revealed to us: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might have life through him. In this is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as expiation for our sins. *The Word of the Lord*

R. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! R. Alleluia! Alleluia! "Whoever loves me will keep my word. Allelu-ia! "And my Father will love him," says the Lord. Allelu-ia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia...Alleluia!

Gospel In 15:9-17

Jesus said to his disciples: "As the Father loves me, so I also love you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love. "I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy might be complete. This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I no longer call you slaves, because a slave does not know what his master is doing. I have called you friends, because I have told you everything I have heard from my Father. It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may give you. This I command you: love one another."

The Gospel of the Lord

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

<u>Creed</u>

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day 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. I 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 adored and gloried, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Petitions:

Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

Presentation: "Where My Father Lives"

R. Where my Father lives there is room for all; there is room for all where my Father lives, and a place for you will be waiting there. Come to me: I will bring you home.

- 1. I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one comes to the Father except through me.
- 2. Have faith in God; have faith in me. Know wherever I am, you will also be.
- 3. If you love me and keep my commands, I will not leave you orphan'd: I will return.
- 4. Peace I leave, my peace I give. God's own Spirit will guide you throughout your life.

Preface Acclamation

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna, in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

The Mystery of Faith

Priest: The mystery of faith.

R. When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death O Lord, until you come again, until you come again.

<u>Great Amen</u> R. A-men! A-men! A-men! A-men!

<u>Sign of Peace</u> Priest: The peace of the Lord be with you always. **R. And with your spirit.**

Lamb of God

R. Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace, grant us peace.

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Communion: "Love Has Come"

R. Word of God, enthroned, dwell in us forever more. Love has come to show the way. Hallelujah, peace be with us. Love has come to show the way.

- 1. With one voice the angels sing songs that make creation ring. Prophets hear and call us to live in spirit and in truth.
- 2. God the Father, Elohim, voice of thunder, spirit, wind; breathe on me your very life; grace will make the darkness bright.
- 3. God of Covenant, divine, lead us to the end of time, beyond sorrow, beyond fear; beyond pride and earthen tears.
- 4. Keeper of the sacrifice manifest in Jesus Christ, born to die and wake the dead, as we hunger keep us fed.
- 5. Now salvation has come in the New Jerusalem. Dancers dance and singers roar; proclaiming Jesus Christ is Lord!

<u>Concluding Rite:</u>

R. Thanks be to God, Allelu-ia, Alle-lu-ia!

Closing: "Where Charity and Love Prevail"

- 1. Where charity and love prevail, there God is ever found; brought here together by Christ's love, by love are we thus bound.
- 2. With grateful joy and holy fear God's charity we learn; Let us with heart and mind and soul now love God in return.
- 3. Forgive we now each other's faults as we our faults confess; and let us love each other well in Christian holiness.
- 4. Let strife among us be unknown, let all contention cease; be God's the glory that we seek, be ours God's holy peace.

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