Divine Service Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost October 18, 2020

"Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe..." (Heb. 12:28)

Opening Hymn: 940 ss. 1-5

1 Holy God, we praise Your name; Lord of all, we bow before Thee. All on earth Thy scepter claim, all in heav'n above adore Thee. Infinite Thy vast domain; everlasting is Thy reign.

2 Hark, the glad celestial hymn angel choirs above are raising; cherubim and seraphim, in unceasing chorus praising, fill the heav'ns with sweet accord: "Holy, holy, holy Lord!"

3 Lo, the apostolic train joins Thy sacred name to hallow; prophets swell the glad refrain, and the white-robed martyrs follow; and from morn to set of sun, through the church the song goes on.

4 Thou art King of Glory, Christ: Son of God, yet born of Mary. For us sinners sacrificed, As to death a Tributary, First to break the bars of death, Thou hast opened heav'n to faith.

5 Holy Father, Holy Son, Holy Spirit, three we name Thee; though in essence only one; undivided God, we claim Thee, and, adoring, bend the knee while we own the mystery.

Invocation

PASTOR: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of

the Holy Spirit.

CONG..... Amen.

Call to Confession

PASTOR: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves,

and the truth is not in us.

CONG..... But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful

and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from

all unrighteousness.

Confession

PASTOR: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

CONG.....

Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Absolution

PASTOR: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to

die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and

of the 🗗 Son and of the Holy Spirit.

CONG...... Amen.

The Introit of the Day

Ps. 147:6, 1-5

The Lord lifts up the humble; he casts the wicked to the ground.

Praise the Lord!

For it is good to sing praises to our God;

for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.

The Lord builds up Jerusalem;

he gathers the outcasts of Israel.

He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.

He determines the number of the stars; he gives to all of them their names.

Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

Is now, and will be forever. Amen.

The Lord lifts up the humble;

he casts the wicked to the ground.

The Kyrie

PASTOR: In peace let us pray to the LORD.

CONG..... LORD, have mercy.

PASTOR: For the peace from above and for our salvation

let us pray to the LORD.

CONG..... LORD, have mercy.

PASTOR: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-

being of the Church of God, and for the unity

of all let us pray to the LORD.

CONG..... LORD, have mercy.

PASTOR: For this holy house and for all who offer here

their worship and praise let us pray to the LORD.

CONG...... LORD, have mercy.

PASTOR: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious

LORD.

CONG..... Amen.

Choir: "Soul, Adorn Thyself with Gladness" ss. 1,7,9

- Soul, adorn thyself with gladness, Leave behind all gloom and sadness; Come into the daylight's splendor, There with joy thy praises render Unto Him whose grace unbounded Hath this wondrous Supper founded. High o'er all the heav'ns He reigneth, Yet to dwell with thee He deigneth.
- 7. Jesus, Sun of Life, my Splendor, Jesus, Thou my Friend most tender, Jesus, Joy of my desiring, Fount of life, my soul inspiring: At Thy feet I cry, my Maker, Let me be a fit partaker Of this blessed food from heaven, For our good, Thy glory, given.
- 9. Jesus, Bread of Life, I pray Thee, Let me gladly here obey Thee. By Thy love I am invited, Be Thy love with love requited; From this Supper let me measure, Lord, how vast and deep love's treasure. Through the gifts Thou here dost give me As Thy guest in heav'n receive me.

PASTOR: Collect of the Day.

Almighty God, You exalted Your Son to the place of all honor and authority. Enlighten our minds by Your Holy Spirit that, confessing Jesus as Lord, we may be led into all truth; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Old Testament Reading: ISAIAH 45:1-7

- 1 Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped,
- to subdue nations before him and to loose the belts of kings,
- to open doors before him that gates may not be closed:
- 2 "I will go before you and level the exalted places,
- I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron,
- 3 I will give you the treasures of darkness and the hoards in secret places,
- that you may know that it is I, the Lord, the God of Israel, who call you by your name.
- 4 For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen,
- I call you by your name,
 - I name you, though you do not know me.
- 5 I am the Lord, and there is no other, besides me there is no God; I equip you, though you do not know me,
- 6 that people may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is none besides me; I am the Lord, and there is no other.
- 7 I form light and create darkness;
 I make well-being and create calamity;
 I am the Lord, who does all these things.

Gradual: PSALM 91:11; 103:1

He will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

The Epistle: I THESSALONIANS 1:1-10

1 Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace.

- 2 We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers,
- 3 remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.
- 4 For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you,
- 5 because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake.
- 6 And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you received the word in much affliction, with the joy of the Holy Spirit,
- 7 so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia.
- 8 For not only has the word of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and Achaia, but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need not say anything.
- 9 For they themselves report concerning us the kind of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God,
- 10 and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

Verse: MATTHEW 28:18b

Alleluia. All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel: ST. MATTHEW 22:15-22

15 Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle him in his words.

16 And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone's opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances.

17 Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?"

18 But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why put me to the test, you hypocrites?

- 19 Show me the coin for the tax." And they brought him a denarius.
- 20 And Jesus said to them, "Whose likeness and inscription is this?"
- 21 They said, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's."
- 22 When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.

The Sermon Hymn: 751 ss. 1-4

1 O God of love, O King of peace, Make wars throughout the world to cease; The rage of nations now restrain: Give peace, O God, give peace again!

2 Remember, Lord, thy works of old, The wonders that Thy people told; Remember not our sins' dark stain: Give peace, O God, give peace again!

3 Whom shall we trust but Thee, O Lord? Where rest but on Thy faithful Word? None ever called on Thee in vain: Give peace, O God, give peace again!

4 Where saints and angels dwell above,

All hearts are knit in holy love; Oh, bind us in that heav'nly chain. Give peace, O God, give peace again!

The Sermon: "The Lord is King of All!" ISAIAH 45:1-7

The Post-Sermon Hymn: 525 ss. 1-5

- Crown Him with many crowns, The Lamb upon His throne;
 Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns All music but it own.
 Awake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee,
 And hail Him as thy matchless king Through all eternity.
- 2. Crown Him the virgin's Son, The God incarnate born, Whose arm those crimson trophies won Which now His brow adorn:

Fruit of the mystic rose, Yet of that rose the stem, The root whence mercy ever flows, The babe of Bethlehem.

- 3. Crown Him the Lord of love, Behold His hands and side, Rich wounds, yet visible above, In beauty glorified. No angels in the sky Can fully bear that sight, But downward bend their wond'ring eyes At mysteries so bright.
- 4. Crown Him the Lord of life, Who triumphed o'er the grave And rose victorious in the strife For those He came to save. His glories now we sing, Who died and rose on high, Who died eternal life to bring And lives that death may die.
- 5. Crown Him the Lord of heav'n, Enthroned in worlds above, Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n The wondrous name of Love.

Crown Him with many crowns As thrones before Him fall; Crown Him, ye kings, with many crowns, For He is king of all.

The Apostles' Creed (We Confess Together)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker 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 to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers and The LORD's Prayer

The Collect for the Word

PASTOR: Blessed Lord, who hast caused all Holy

Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark,

learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience and comfort of Your holy Word we may embrace, and ever hold fast, the blessed hope of everlasting life, which You have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, ever one God,

world without end.

CONG: Amen.

The Benediction

PASTOR: 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 \hat{V}

give you peace.

CONG: Amen.

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