Service of Holy Communion – The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

October 24, 2021

St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Roanoke, VA

PRELUDE: *God, Whose Almighty Word* – arr. Franklin Ashdown

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING SONG: God, Whose Almighty Word



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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

Eternal light, shine in our hearts. Eternal wisdom, scatter the darkness of our ignorance. Eternal compassion, have mercy on us. Turn us to seek your face, and enable us to reflect your goodness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:7-9

L A reading from Jeremiah.

⁷Thus says the LORD: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, "Save, O LORD, your people, the remnant of Israel." ⁸See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. ⁹With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

- L The word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 7:23-28

L A reading from Hebrews.

²³The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; ²⁴but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. ²⁵Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

²⁶For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. ²⁷Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. ²⁸For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

- L The word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL: Mark 10:46-52

- P The holy gospel according to St. Mark, the 10th chapter
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

⁴⁶As [Jesus] and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. ⁴⁷When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁸Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁹Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." ⁵⁰So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. ⁵¹Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." ⁵²Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

- P The gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

The service continues with the Hymn of the Day on the next page.

HYMN OF THE DAY: O Christ, Your Heart, Compassionate



PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each petition concludes:

- L Lord, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.

PEACE

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.

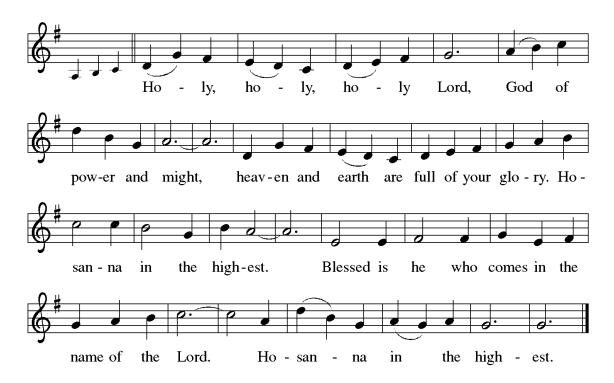
We share the peace from our pews, saying "Peace be with you."

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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

The presiding minister continues, concluding:

P we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



The Eucharistic Prayer continues, concluding:

- P to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.
- C Amen

LORD'S PRAYER

- P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.
- 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

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

We come forward to receive communion at the chancel steps.

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

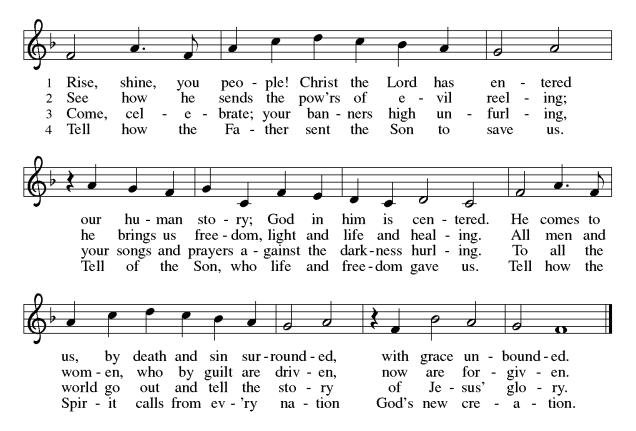
POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BLESSING

- L Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit bless you now and forever.
- C Amen

The service continues with the Sending Song on the next page.

SENDING SONG: Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service



DISMISSAL

Go in peace, loving God and loving your neighbor.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: *Rise, Shine, You People* – arr. Benjamin Culli

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