

ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH HEALING AND PRAYER SERVICE WITH THE HOLY EUCHARIST Wednesday, May 1, 2024

The Rev. Leslie J. Hague is the celebrant and the Rev. Carl H. Beasley is the preacher today.

THE COMMEMORATION OF SAINTS PHILIP AND JAMES

Apostles

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Grace and peace to you from God.

God fill you with truth and joy.

The Lord be with you.

The Lord bless you.

This is the day which the Lord has made.

We will rejoice and be glad in it.

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

The Collect

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, who gave to your apostles Philip and James grace and strength to bear witness to the truth: Grant that we, being mindful of their victory of faith, may glorify in life and death the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A Reading from Isaiah 30:18-21

The LORD waits to be gracious to you;

therefore he will rise up to show mercy to you.

For the LORD is a God of justice;

blessed are all those who wait for him.

Truly, O people in Zion, inhabitants of Jerusalem, you shall weep no more. He will surely be gracious to you at the sound of your cry; when he hears it, he will answer you. Though the Lord may give you the bread of adversity and the water of affliction, yet your Teacher will not hide himself any more, but your eyes shall see your Teacher. And when you turn to the right or when you turn to the left, your ears shall hear a word behind you, saying, "This is the way; walk in it."

Reader The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 119:33-40

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- 33 Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes, * and I shall keep it to the end.
- 34 Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law; *
 I shall keep it with all my heart.
- 35 Make me go in the path of your commandments, * for that is my desire.
- 36 Incline my heart to your decrees * and not to unjust gain.
- 37 Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless; * give me life in your ways.
- 38 Fulfill your promise to your servant, * which you make to those who fear you.
- 39 Turn away the reproach which I dread, * because your judgments are good.
- 40 Behold, I long for your commandments; * in your righteousness preserve my life.

A Reading from 2 Corinthians 4:1-6

Since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides;

we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God. And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Reader The word of the Lord. People **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 14:6-14.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to Thomas, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him." Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

A LITANY OF HEALING

Let us name before God those for whom we offer our prayers:

The people audibly name those for whom they are interceding

and we include the names of those on our parish prayer list.

Loving God, the comfort of all who sorrow, the strength of all who suffer: accept our prayers for those who seek healing and all whom we name in our hearts. Grant the power of your grace, that the weak may be strengthened, sickness turned to health, the dying made whole, and sorrow turned to joy;

Hear us O Lord of life.

God the Father, your will for all people is health and salvation;

We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

God the Son, you came that we might have life, and might have it more abundantly;

We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

God the Holy Spirit, you make our bodies the temple of your presence;

We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

Holy Trinity, one God, in you we live and move and have our being;

We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

Befriend all who are lonely, anxious, despondent, or afraid with an awareness of your presence;

Hear us O Lord of Life.

Mend broken relationships and restore those in emotional distress to clarity of mind and hopefulness of heart.

Hear us O Lord of life.

Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Having prayed for others, let us now pray for ourselves, confessing our transgressions against God and our neighbors.

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

which 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.

May the God of Love, visit us in our times of trial and weakness, pardon and deliver us from all our sins, raise us to newness of life, strengthen us in all goodness and through the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

Laying on of Hands and Anointing

Celebrant I lay my hands upon you in the Name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, beseeching him to uphold you and fill you with his grace, that you may know the healing power of his love; and I anoint you with oil in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Generous God, we give you thanks for your beloved Jesus Christ in whom you have shared the beauty and pain of human life. Look with compassion on all for whom we pray and strengthen us to be your instrument of healing in the world, by the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The Peace

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

All things come of thee O Lord.

And of thine own have we given thee.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We praise you and bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being; sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the

fullness of your love. And so we join the saints and angels in proclaiming your glory as we say:

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

Hosanna in the highest.

Remembering now the suffering and death and proclaiming the Resurrection and Ascension of Jesus our Redeemer, we now offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of Christ.

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 friends, and said: "Take eat; This is my Body which is given to you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving, we proclaim,

Dying, you destroyed our death, Rising, you restored our life, Christ Jesus, come in glory!

We now celebrate, O God, the memorial of Christ our Savior. By means of this holy bread and cup, we show forth the sacrifice of Christ's death, and proclaim the resurrection, until Christ comes in glory.

Gather us by this Holy Communion into one body in the Risen One, and make us a living sacrifice of praise. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Blessed are you now and forever. 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 in the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in

remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by

faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion given to those present.

A prayer for spiritual communion said by those not present at holy communion

Celebrant

In union, O Lord, with the faithful of your Church where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, we desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. We present to you our souls and bodies with the earnest wish that we may always be united to you. And since we cannot now receive you sacramentally, we beseech you to come spiritually into our hearts. We unite ourselves with you and embrace you with all the love of our souls. Let nothing ever separate you from us. May we live in you, and may you live in us, both in this life and in the life to come. **Amen.**

PRAYERS FOLLOWING COMMUNION

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in this Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth; a people forgiven, healed, and renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

A Collect for the Human Family

O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Collect for All Saints and our Rector

Almighty and ever living God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for our rector and our parish family. Stir up your power within our parish, strengthen the faithful and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

