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Twenty-Third Sunday after **PENTECOST**



The sculpture "Welcome Home" by the Rev. Gundon Brewster,
in the Chapel of St. Augustine of Hippo at the Cathedral College
on the grounds of Washington National Cathedral, Washington, D.C.

November 8, 2020

Followers of Jesus, sharing God's love with all...

an adventure for life!

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

We Are Marching in the Light of God, arr. John Carter

Welcome

Hymn

Light Dawns on a Weary World



1 Light dawns on a wea - ry world when eyes be - gin to
2 Love grows in a wea - ry world when hun - gry hearts find
3 Hope blooms in a wea - ry world when crea - tures, once for -



see all peo - ple's dig - ni - ty. Light dawns on a
bread and chil - dren's dreams are fed. Love grows in a
lorn, find wil - der - ness re - born. Hope blooms in a



wea - ry world: the prom - ised day of jus - tice comes.
wea - ry world: the prom - ised feast of plen - ty comes.
wea - ry world: the prom - ised green of E - den comes.



The trees shall clap their hands; the dry lands, gush with springs;



the hills and moun - tains shall break forth with sing - ing!



We shall go out in joy, and be led forth in peace,



as all the world in won - der ech - oes sha - lom.

Text: Mary Louise Bringle, b. 1953

Music: TEMPLE OF PEACE, William P. Rowan, b. 1951

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WE PROCLAIM THE WORD

First Reading

Amos 5:18-24 (New Living Translation)

A reading from Amos

What sorrow awaits you who say,

“If only the day of the LORD were here!”

You have no idea what you are wishing for.

That day will bring darkness, not light.

In that day you will be like a man who runs from a lion—
only to meet a bear.

Escaping from the bear, he leans his hand against a wall in his house—
and he’s bitten by a snake.

Yes, the day of the LORD will be dark and hopeless,
without a ray of joy or hope.

“I hate all your show and pretense—

the hypocrisy of your religious festivals and solemn assemblies.

I will not accept your burnt offerings and grain offerings.

I won’t even notice all your choice peace offerings.

Away with your noisy hymns of praise!

I will not listen to the music of your harps.

Instead, I want to see a mighty flood of justice,
an endless river of righteous living.”

Word of God, Word of Life

Thanks be to God.



Psalm 78:1-7



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Hear my teaching, | O my people;

incline your ears to the words | of my mouth.

I will open my mouth | in a parable;

I will declare the mysteries of | ancient times—

that which we have heard and known, and what our fore- | bears have told
us,

we will not hide | from their children.

**We will recount to generations to come the praiseworthy deeds and
the power | of the LORD,**

and the wonderful works | God has done.

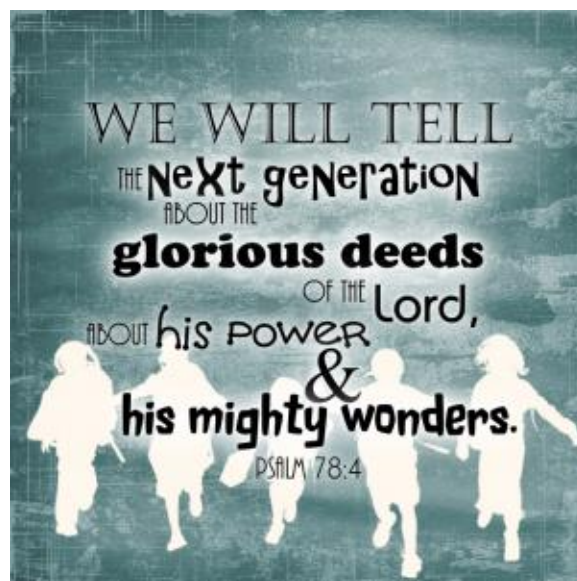
The LORD gave a decree in Jacob and established a | law in Israel,
commanding our ancestors to teach it | to their children;

**that the generations to come might know, and the children | yet
unborn;**

that they in their turn might tell it | to their children;

so that they might put their | trust in God,

and not forget the deeds of God, but keep | God's commandments.



Gospel **Matthew 25:1-13** (The Inclusive New Testament)
The Holy Gospel according to Matthew **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus sat on the Mount of Olives, and said to his disciples, “The kingdom of heaven could be likened to ten attendants who took their lamps and went to meet the bridal party. Five of them were wise, five were foolish. When the foolish ones took their lamps, they didn’t take any oil with them, but the wise ones took enough oil to keep their lamps burning. The bridal party was delayed, so they all fell asleep. “At midnight there was a cry: ‘Here comes the bridal party! Let’s go out to meet them!’ Then all the attendants rose and trimmed their lamps. The foolish ones said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ But the wise replied, ‘Perhaps there won’t be enough for us; run to the dealers and get some more for yourselves.’ “While the foolish ones went to buy more oil, the bridal party arrives; and those who were ready went to the marriage feast with them, and the door was shut. When the foolish attendants returned, they pleaded to be let in. The bridegroom replied, ‘The truth is, I don’t know you.’ “So stay awake, for you don’t know the day or the hour.”

The Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you, O Christ.**



Message

REFUSING TO CAUSE HARM

Ministry of Music

Great is Thy Faithfulness

arr. John Carter
Karen Kent

Apostles Creed

Let us confess our faith in the Triune God as expressed in these historic words:

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Community Prayers

Let us pray....

Amen.

Included in our daily prayers are those with special needs or concerns:

Bebe McCoy, Robin Stokes, Lea Spang, Bonnie Hegreness, Heidi Carman, Cora Marquez, Mary Kennedy, Kelly Scott, Diane Louangrath, Sue Baker, Julie Denniss' uncle Ed Stewart, Kevin Bailey's sister Kleta Childs, Kathie and Nancy Ehrich, Stan Heacock, Jeremy Davis, Val Farnham, Bebe McCoy's brother-in-law Walt, Brittany Parsons, Lynn Belhorn's friend MaryAnn, Laura Warren's brother Walter Hudson and his wife Jan, Doretha Holland, Shirley and Jack Miller, Deidre (DJ) Zimmer, Jon Denniss, Mary Bowling's sister Val, Carolyn and Ed Klopfer, Nancy Stinson's brother Tom Starkey, Kathleen Zwanziger's brother Mark Zwanziger, Larry Trover, Earl Bradley's brother Fay Bradley, David Hairston.

Sharing the peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

We take time to greet one another with words like Peace be with you.

Children's Time

WE SHARE HOLY COMMUNION

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

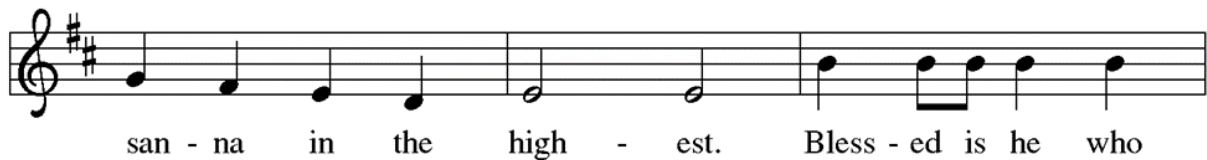
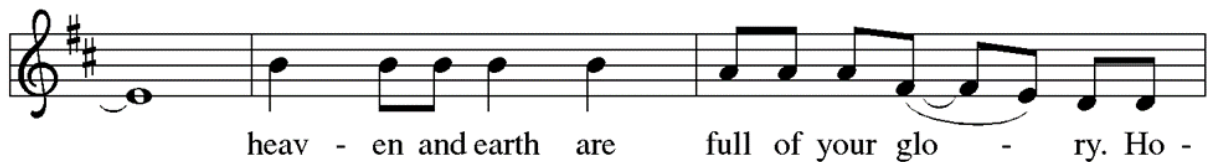
Lift up your hearts.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

And also with you.
We lift them to the Lord.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Creator God, you brought wholeness into creation through the caress of your hands and the breath of your mouth. In this intimate moment of creation we join the song of fish and birds, trees and flowers, humans and angels:



Holy God, holy imaginative God, you set your tree of life in the center of creation, enlivening the barrenness, breathing spirit across the dust. You created wholeness. Holy, God, holy compassionate God, you saw our brokenness and planted once again in the center the tree of life, the cross from which Christ rose to save and heal us. You reclaimed wholeness.

Holy Christ, holy healing Christ, on the night in which you were betrayed, you took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to your followers, saying, "Take this, and eat! This is my body, broken for you. Do this to remember me." And after supper, you took the cup and gave it to them, saying, "This cup is the new covenant, sealed in my blood. It is shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Each time you drink this, remember me."

Holy generous God, we remember Christ's life and death, his resurrection and ascension which renew the face of the earth. Shape us together on this earth, in the soil and rivers, in the sunshine and wind, in animal and human faces. Send your Spirit on this meal and on us, that we may share your bounty with the whole creation. Help us cry out with one voice for re-creation as we pray the prayer Jesus taught us:

Lord's Prayer

**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.**

The body of Christ, broken for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Sharing the Meal

Music

One Bread, One Body

arr. Joel Raney
Karen Kent



Prayer of Thanksgiving

Generous and faithful God, you have fed us at your table. May the nourishment we have received enable us to enrich the lives of others wherever we may go from here. Whether the future be dark or bright, the road be smooth or rough, whether our cares be light or heavy, our song be strong or weak, keep our hearts warm and our hands open, our lives ever embracing and ever embraced by your love. **Amen.**

WE ARE SENT

Hymn

Shine, Jesus, Shine

Refrain



Shine, Je - sus, shine, fill this land with the Fa-ther's glo - ry;



blaze, Spir - it, blaze, set our hearts on fire.



Flow, riv - er, flow, flood the na - tions with grace and mer - cy;



send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!



1 Lord, the light of your love is shin - ing, in the midst of the
2 As we gaze on your king - ly bright-ness, so our fac - es dis -



dark - ness, shin - ing; Je - sus, light of the world, shine up - on us,
play your like - ness, ev - er chang - ing from glo - ry to glo - ry,



set us free by the truth you now bring us.
mir - rored here, may our lives tell your sto - ry.



Refrain

Shine on me, shine on me:
Shine on me, shine on me:

Text: Graham Kendrick, b. 1950

Music: Graham Kendrick

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SHINE, JESUS, SHINE
99 10 10 33 and refrain

Blessing

Amen.

Announcements

Postlude

***I've Got the Joy*, arr. Pepper Choplin**

Our first act of love is to greet those standing near us and around us.

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Thanks from the Stewardship Team to all who have returned their response cards, which were dedicated during worship services on Reformation Sunday.

If you haven't yet returned your card, please send it in as soon as possible so that it can be included in the total, which is important for planning purposes. If you need a replacement, just contact the church office or a Stewardship Team member (Ruth Murray, Dave Lippert, or Mary Benis).

Please be sure you've done your part to keep Redeemer's ministries strong as we walk together by faith into 2021.

Adult Sunday School
10 am Sundays
Via ZOOM



WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY ABOUT ___?

Topic: Redeemer Sunday adult ed Zoom Meeting
Time: Sunday mornings 11:15 AM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83783266885?pwd=S3lhqd1dQR3lUbjdvYU9nWGk3MnI0dz09>

Meeting ID: 837 8326 6885

Passcode: 043099

Phone only: 646 876 9923

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Presiding Minister
Assisting Minister
ASL Interpreter
Reader
Cantor
Organist & Senior Choir Director
Pianist & Chimes Choir Director
Verger

David Shull, Pastor
Michelle Clemence
Emily Ott
Michelle Clemence
Wendy Stoica
Kathy Rapp
Karen Kent
Wendy Stoica

*Flowers are given by **Julianne Johnson** in memory of **Judy Pollock**.
Noisy Offering will go to Kaleidoscope Youth Center.*

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER NOVEMBER 8 - 15

Today	10:00 am	Livestream Worship with Holy Communion
	11:15 am	ZOOM Adult Education
Tuesday	6:30 pm	ZOOM A Brewing Faith
Wednesday	6:30 pm	ZOOM Sister Act
Thursday	5:00 pm	RLC at First English
Next Sunday	10:00 am	Livestream Worship with Holy Communion



A Brewing Faith

Second Tuesdays 6:30 pm

Conversation and fellowship

Via Zoom

Topic: Brewing Faith Zoom Meeting

Time: November 10, 2020 06:30 PM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88406607138?pwd=TU>

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Sister Act

Wednesday, November 11

6:30 pm

Zoom

2021 Sister Act Calendar

Please join us for fellowship and fun