

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost – September 26, 2021

WE GATHER IN PRAISE

PRELUDE

OPENING HYMN O praise ye the Lord vv. 1-2 (*words on last page*) Hymnal 432

OPENING PRAYERS

Celebrant Blessed be God, whom we know as Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be the Life of God among us!**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**

THE WORD OF GOD

READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT James 5:13-20

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people
People **Thanks be to God**

PSALM 124

- 1 If the Lord had not been on our side, **let Israel now say;**
- 2 If the Lord had not been on our side, **when enemies rose up against us;**
- 3 Then would they have swallowed us up alive **in their fierce anger toward us;**
- 4 Then would the waters have overwhelmed us **and the torrent gone over us;**
- 5 Then would the raging waters **have gone right over us.**
- 6 Blessed be the Lord! **God has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.**
- 7 We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler;
 the snare is broken, and we have escaped.
- 8 Our help is in the Name of the Lord, **the maker of heaven and earth.**

THE GOSPEL Mark 9:38-50

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

"If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

"For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

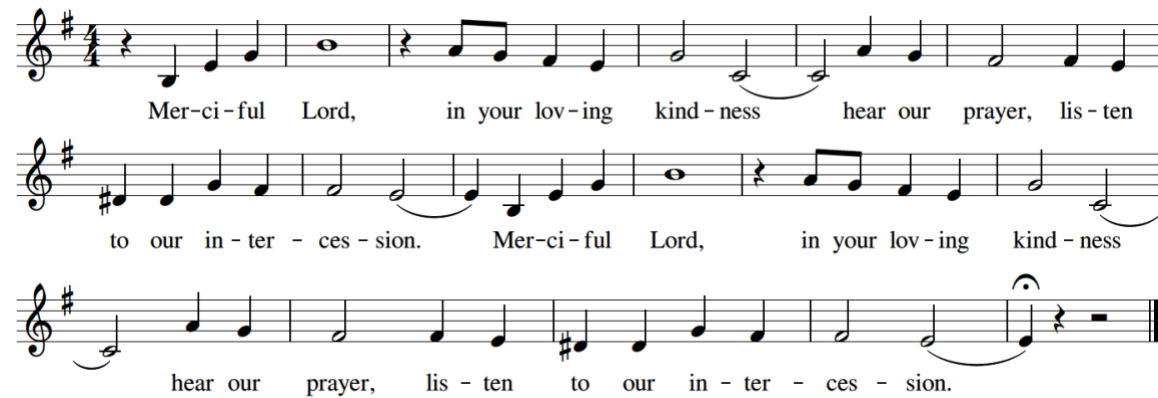
Presider The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON "Power In Jesus' Name" The Rev. Dr. Kate Heichler

PRAYER SONG

Merciful Lord

David Peacock, 1995



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We pray to you for the forgiveness of our sins. (*A moment of silent reflection*)

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Presider offers assurance of forgiveness.

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.
We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. (*We offer our thanksgivings aloud*)

We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Mariann and Chilton, our Bishops;
For Kate, our priest, and all other ministers.
For all who serve God in God's Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.
(*We lift up concerns and petitions for the world, nation and loved ones*)

We pray in faith for healing for:
(*We lift up those in need of healing, laying hands on those in our presence.*)

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We pray for (*name those who have died*) and all who have died,
That they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

The Presider offers a closing prayer.

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

The people exchange a sign of Christ's peace with their neighbors.

OFFERTORY


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Or La Plata at <https://christchurchlaplata.org/donate/>
Or text "CCLAPLATA" to 73256, and follow the prompts.

OFFERTORY

O Christ the Healer, we have come

Words: Fred Pratt Green

Music: Robert Schumann



1.O Christ the heal - er we have come to pray for health, to
2.From ev - ry ail - ment flesh en - dures our bod - ies cla - mor
3.In con - flicts that des - troy our health we rec - og - nize the
4,Grant that we all, made one in faith, in your com - mun - i -

plead for friends. How can we fail to be re - stored when
to be freed; yet in our hearts we would con - fess that
world's dis - ease; Our com - mon life de - clares our ills. Is
ty may find the whole - ness that, en - rich - ing us shall

reached by love that nev - er ends?
whole - ness is our deep - est need.
there no cure, O Christ, for these?
reach the whole of hu - man - kind.

THE HOLY MEAL

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The people are invited to pray the words in bold type.

- Celebrant

The Lord be with you.
- People

And also with you.
- Celebrant

Lift up your hearts.
- People

We lift them to the Lord.
- Celebrant

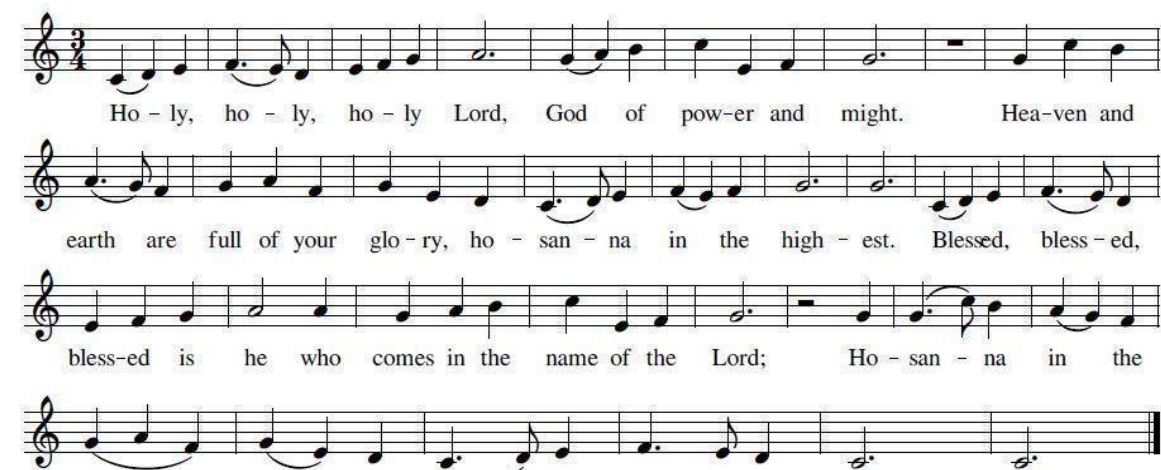
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- People

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and all the company of heaven who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Holy, holy, holy (Sanctus)

Kate Heichler, 2000



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might. Hea-ven and
earth are full of your glo - ry, ho - san - na in the high - est. Blessed, bless - ed,
bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; Ho - san - na in the
high est, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, **“Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this to remember me.”**

After supper he 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 shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this to remember me.”**

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,
We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send

your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant.

Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **AMEN!**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:
**Our Father in heaven, holy is your name,
Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive 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 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!**

THE COMMUNION

*All present are welcome to the Altar rail for communion (bread only for now).
If you do not wish to receive, please cross your arms for a blessing. Those worshipping at home are invited to partake of consecrated bread and wine at home tables.*

COMMUNION MUSIC Healer Michael Guglielmucci

A PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION *(For those not receiving eucharist today)*

In union, O God, with your faithful people in every church where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I offer you praise and thanksgiving. As I cannot receive you today in the sacrament of your Body and Blood, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. *Amen.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

**PRAYERS FOR BIRTHDAYS ANNIVERSARIES
COMMUNITY NEWS**

CLOSING HYMN Thine arm, O Lord, vv 1-2 *(words on last page)* Hymnal 567

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OUR PRAYERS

We pray for: Those in need of healing – Marianne Wilburn, Duana Page, Alicia Cordelle, Steve Blamer, Beverly Stone, Gary Murray, Susan White, Benji, Jane Hobbs, Garner Burroughs, Michelle, , Lou Demas, Nick LaMonica, Arlene Alvey

We give thanks for: Our garden concert series; our Vestries and all the time they give.

Birthdays and Anniversaries: Walter Coy, 9/24; Eleanor Deen, 9/26

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BRING YOUR PETS TO CHURCH OCTOBER 3! We will celebrate the feast day of St. Francis with outdoor worship in the beauty of nature – and will bless any pets that come along that day. Dogs need to be on leashes and smaller critters enclosed – but we’ll let them sing! 9 o’clock at Wayside in front of the church, 11 o’clock at La Plata in the field.

LEARNING HOUR IS BACK! Please jump on Zoom at 10 am Sunday (*or come in person at either church...*) for courses that will help you grow in faith. Offerings are:
Kids Forum (aka Sunday School) – Children ages 4-12, will come to know God’s love through creatively exploring bible stories with Ms Alicia and Ms Janet.
Book Study: *The Call*, by Adam Hamilton – led by Barry Kercher
Faith Formation: *Jesus The Game-Changer*,
video and discussion series led by Rev. Kate and others

ONLINE GIVING – Wayside: Go to https://swipesimple.com/links/lnk_72387a78 and follow the prompts. **La Plata:** You can text a donation - text "CCLAPLATA" to 73256, and follow the prompts. You can give to Open Plate or toward your pledge. You can also give online - go to www.christchurchlaplata.org and scroll down to the "Donate" link.

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HYMNS

OPENING HYMN O praise ye the Lord vv. 1-2 Hymnal 432

1 O praise ye the Lord! Praise him in the height; rejoice in his word, ye angels of light;
Ye heavens, adore him by whom ye were made,
and worship before him in brightness arrayed!

2 O praise ye the Lord! Praise him upon earth, in tuneful accord, all ye of new birth;
praise him who hath brought you his grace from above,
praise him who hath taught you to sing of his love.

COMMUNION SONG Healer Mike Guglielmucci, 2007

You hold my every moment, you calm my raging seas;
You walk with me through fire and heal all my disease.
I trust in You... I trust in You.

Chorus: I believe You’re my Healer, I believe You are all I need
I believe You’re my portion, I believe You’re more than enough for me,
Jesus, You’re all I need.

Bridge: Nothing is impossible for You; Nothing is impossible
Nothing is impossible for You; You hold my world in your hands.

CLOSING HYMN Thine arm, O Lord, vv.1-2 Hymnal 567

1 Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old was strong to heal and save; it triumphed o'er disease and death, o'er darkness and the grave. To thee they went, the blind, the deaf, the palsied, and the lame, the leper set apart and shunned, the sick with fevered frame.	2 And lo! thy touch brought life and health, gave hearing, strength, and sight; and youth renewed and frenzy calmed owned thee, the Lord of light: and now, O Lord, be near to bless, almighty as of yore, in crowded street, by restless couch, as by Gennesaret's shore.
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SAVE FOR WHEN WE DO IT...

OPENING HYMN All Hail the power of Jesus name Hymnal 450

1 All hail the power of Jesus' Name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
bring forth the royal diadem,
and crown him Lord of all! *Repeat*

3 Hail him, the Heir of David's line,
whom David Lord did call,
the God incarnate, Man divine,
and crown him Lord of all! *Repeat*

6 Let every kindred, every tribe, on this terrestrial ball,
to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all! *Repeat*

CLOSING HYMN Lord Make Us Servants Hymnal 593

- 1 Lord, make us servants of your peace: Where there is hate, may we sow love;
Where there is hurt, may we forgive; Where there is strife, may we make one.
- 2 Where all is doubt, may we sow faith; Where all is gloom, may we sow hope;
Where all is night, may we sow light; Where all is tears, may we sow joy.
- 3 Jesus, our Lord, may we not seek To be consoled, but to console,
Nor look to understanding hearts, But look for hearts to understand.
- 4 May we not look for love's return, but seek to love unselfishly,
For in our giving we receive, and in forgiving are forgiven.
- 5 Dying, we live, and are reborn through death's dark night to endless day;
Lord, make us servants of your peace, to wake at last in heaven's light.