

## ***The Word of God (Holy Eucharist II BCP)***

### **Prelude**

### **Opening Hymn**

Hymn: *Christ when for us you were baptized* (#121, all)

Christ, when for us you were baptized,  
God's Spirit on you came,  
as peaceful as a dove and yet  
as urgent as a flame.

God called you his beloved Son,  
called you his servant true,  
sent you his kingdom to proclaim,  
his holy will to do.

Straightway and steadfast until death  
you then obeyed his call  
freely as Son of Man to serve  
and give your life for all.

Baptize us with your Spirit, Lord,  
your cross on us be signed,  
that, likewise in God's service we  
may perfect freedom find.

***Celebrant:*** Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

***People:*** And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

***Celebrant:*** Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known,  
and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our  
hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may  
perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name;  
through Christ our Lord.

***People:*** Amen.

### **Hymn of Praise**

Hymn: *Gloria in Excelsis* (S 278 )

Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father;  
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

### **The Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you

*People:* And also with you.

*Celebrant:* Let us pray

*Celebrant:* Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting.

*People:* Amen.

### **The Lessons**

*First Testament Reading:*

#### **Genesis 1:1-5**

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the

darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord

**People:** Thanks be to God

*The Psalm Spoken Responsively by half verse*

## **Psalm 29**

1 Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, \*  
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

2 Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his Name; \*  
worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;  
the God of glory thunders; \*  
the Lord is upon the mighty waters.

4 The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; \*  
the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.

5 The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; \*  
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, \*  
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

7 The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire;  
the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; \*  
the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

8 The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe \*  
and strips the forests bare.

9 And in the temple of the Lord \*  
all are crying, "Glory!"

10 The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; \*  
the Lord sits enthroned as King for evermore.

11 The Lord shall give strength to his people; \*  
the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

*Epistle Reading*

**Acts 19:1-7**

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He said to them, “Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?” They replied, “No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.” Then he said, “Into what then were you baptized?” They answered, “Into John’s baptism.” Paul said, “John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus.” On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied— altogether there were about twelve of them.

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord

**People:** Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn: *In Christ there is* (#529 v.1)

In Christ there is no East or West,  
in him no South or North,  
but one great fellowship of love  
throughout the whole wide earth.

**Deacon:** The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Mark.

**People:** Glory to you, Lord Christ.

**Mark 1:4-11**

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel’s hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, “The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.”

**Deacon:** The Gospel of the Lord

**People:** Praise to you, Lord Christ

Gradual Hymn: *In Christ there is* (#529 vv. 2-3)

Join hands, disciples of the faith,  
whate’er your race may be!

Who serves my Father as his child  
is surely kin to me.

In Christ now meet both East and West,  
in him meet South and North,  
all Christly souls are one in him,  
throughout the whole wide earth.

## **The Sermon**

### **The Nicene Creed**

*All:* We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again

in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### **The Prayers of the People (*Form III*)**

*Deacon:* Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

*People:* That we all may be one.

*Deacon:* Grant that every member of the Church may truly and  
humbly serve you;

*People:* That your Name may be glorified by all people.

*Deacon:* We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

*People:* That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and  
Sacraments.

*Deacon:* We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations  
of the world;

*People:* That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

*Deacon:* Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

*People:* That our works may find favor in your sight.

*Deacon:* Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

*People:* That they may be delivered from their distress.

*Deacon:* Give to the departed eternal rest.

*People:* Let light perpetual shine upon them.

*Deacon:* We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

*People:* May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

*Deacon:* Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*The People may add their own petitions.*

*Celebrant:* (concluding collect)

### **The Confession of Sin**

*Deacon:* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*All:* Most merciful God,  
we confess that 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 are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

*Celebrant:* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins  
through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all  
goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in  
eternal life.

*People:* Amen.

### **The Peace**

*Celebrant:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People:* And also with you.

### **(The Blessing of Birthdays and Anniversaries)**

### **Offertory Sentence**

### **Eucharistic Prayer B**

*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 him thanks and praise.

***Celebrant:*** It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

***All (spoken):*** 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.

***Celebrant:*** 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 for the remembrance of 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 and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**All (spoken):** We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

**Celebrant:** 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.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

**All: AMEN.**

**Celebrant:** And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**All (spoken):** 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,  
    for ever and ever. Amen.

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

*Celebrant:* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*All:* Therefore let us keep the feast.

### **The Fraction**

*Sung by all:*

Jesus Christ, bread of life,  
Those who come to you will not hunger.  
Jesus Christ, Risen Lord,  
Those who trust in you will not thirst.

*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 Music**

*Hymn: One Bread, One Body*

One bread, one body, one Lord of all,  
One cup of blessing which we bless.  
And we, though many, throughout the earth,  
We are one body in this one Lord.

Gentile or Jew, servant or free,

woman or man, no more.  
One bread, one body, one Lord of all,  
One cup of blessing which we bless.  
And we, though many, throughout the earth,  
We are one body in this one Lord.

Many the gifts, many the works,  
one in the Lord of all.  
One bread, one body, one Lord of all,  
One cup of blessing which we bless.  
And we, though many, throughout the earth,  
We are one body in this one Lord.

Grain for the fields, scattered and grown,  
Gathered to one, for all.  
One bread, one body, one Lord of all,  
One cup of blessing which we bless.  
And we, though many, throughout the earth,  
We are one body in this one Lord.

### **Post Communion Prayer**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

*All:* 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**

*Celebrant:* The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep  
your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his  
Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father,  
the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always.

*People:* Amen

## **Closing Hymn**

Hymn: *As with gladness* (#119 vv. 1-3)

As with gladness men of old  
did the guiding star behold;  
as with joy they hailed its light,  
leading onward, beaming bright;  
so, most gracious Lord, may we  
evermore be led to thee.

As with joyful steps they sped  
to that lowly manger-bed;  
there to bend the knee before  
him whom heaven and earth adore;  
so may we with willing feet  
ever seek the mercy-seat.

As they offered gifts most rare  
at that manger rude and bare;  
so may we with holy joy,  
pure and free from sin's alloy,  
all our costliest treasures bring,  
Christ! to thee, our heavenly King.

## **The Dismissal**

*Deacon:*

*People:* Thanks be to God

## **Postlude**