July 28, 2024 10:30 am

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome

Opening Hymn "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name" Edward Perronet, Oliver Holden

All hail the power of Jesus Name let angels prostrate fall Bring forth the royal diadem and crown Him Lord of all Bring forth the royal diadem and crown Him Lord of all

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed from the fall Hail Him who saves you by His grace and crown Him Lord of all Hail Him who saves you by His grace and crown Him Lord of all

O that with yonder sacred throng we at His feet may fall We'll join the everlasting song and crown Him Lord of all We'll join the everlasting song and crown Him Lord of all

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it:

People Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad.

Celebrant Our help is in the name of the Lord:

People Who made heaven and earth.

Celebrant I was glad when they said to me

People Let us go to the house of the Lord.

Celebrant Praise the Lord.

People The name of the Lord be praised.

All Almighty God, You bring to light things hidden in darkness, and know the shadows of our hearts; cleanse and renew us by Your Spirit, that we may walk in the light and glorify Your name, through Jesus Christ, the Light of the world. Amen.

Celebrant Our Lord Jesus Christ said: The first and great commandment is this: Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these.

People Amen. Lord have mercy and write these laws in our hearts, we pray.

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Be glorified at home.
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People Be glorified in the United States.

CelebrantBe glorified on earth.PeopleBe glorified in heaven.CelebrantGlory to the Father.PeopleGlory to the Son.CelebrantGlory to the Spirit.PeopleForever Three in One.

Celebrant Alleluia! People Amen.

The Collect for the Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

The first lesson is from the Second book of Kings, chapter 2, beginning to read at verse 1.

2 Now when the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. ² And Elijah said to Elisha, "Please stay here, for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. ³ And the sons of the prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take away your master from over you?" And he said, "Yes, I know it; keep quiet." ⁴ Elijah said to him, "Elisha, please stay here, for the LORD has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. ⁵ The sons of the prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take away your master from over you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know it; keep quiet." ⁶ Then Elijah

said to him, "Please stay here, for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. ⁷ Fifty men of the sons of the prophets also went and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. 8 Then Elijah took his cloak and rolled it up and struck the water, and the water was parted to the one side and to the other, till the two of them could go over on dry ground. ⁹ When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Ask what I shall do for you, before I am taken from you." And Elisha said, "Please let there be a double portion of your spirit on me." ¹⁰ And he said, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it shall be so for you, but if you do not see me, it shall not be so." 11 And as they still went on and talked, behold, chariots of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them. And Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven. 12 And Elisha saw it and he cried, "My father, my father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" And he saw him no more. Then he took hold of his own clothes and tore them in two pieces. ¹³ And he took up the cloak of Elijah that had fallen from him and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. 14 Then he took the cloak of Elijah that had fallen from him and struck the water, saying, "Where is the LORD, the God of Elijah?" And when he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and Elisha went over. ¹⁵ Now when the sons of the prophets who were at Jericho saw him opposite them, they said, "The spirit of Elijah rests on Elisha." And they came to meet him and bowed to the ground before him. (ESV)

Reader This is the Word of the Lord.
People Alleluia! Praise be to God.

Psalm 114

Let us read this Psalm responsively by half verse

- When Israel came out of Egypt, *

 and the house of Jacob from among a people of a foreign tongue,
- 2 Judah was God's sanctuary, * and Israel his dominion.
- 3 The sea beheld it and fled; * *Jordan was driven back.*
- The mountains skipped like rams, * and the little hills like young sheep.
- 5 What ailed you, O sea, that you fled? *

 O Jordan, that you were driven back?
- You mountains, that you skipped like rams, * and you little hills like young sheep?
- 7 Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, *

at the presence of the God of Jacob,

8 Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water, * and the flint stone into a springing well.

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The second lesson is from the letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians, chapter 3, beginning to read at verse 8.

⁸ To me, though I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, ⁹ and to bring to light for everyone what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God, who created all things, ¹⁰ so that through the church the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. ¹¹ This was according to the eternal purpose that he has realized in Christ Jesus our Lord, ¹² in whom we have boldness and access with confidence through our faith in him. ¹³ So I ask you not to lose heart over what I am suffering for you, which is your glory. ¹⁴ For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵ from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, ¹⁶ that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷ so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, ¹⁸ may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹ and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. ²⁰ Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, ²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen. (ESV)

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People Alleluia! Praise be to God.

Sequence Song, "Ancient Words"

Lynn DeShazo

Ancient words, ever true, changing me, changing you; we have come with open hearts, O let the ancient words impart. (2x)

Celebrant We stand to hear the good news of our salvation, as it is written in the Gospel according to St. Mark, Chapter 6, beginning to read at verse 45.

⁴⁵ Immediately he made his disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, to Bethsaida, while he dismissed the crowd. ⁴⁶ And after he had taken leave of them, he went up on the mountain to pray. ⁴⁷ And when evening came, the boat was out on the sea, and he was alone on the land. ⁴⁸ And he saw that they were making headway painfully, for the wind was against them. And about the fourth watch of the night he

came to them, walking on the sea. He meant to pass by them, ⁴⁹ but when they saw him walking on the sea they thought it was a ghost, and cried out, ⁵⁰ for they all saw him and were terrified. But immediately he spoke to them and said, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid." ⁵¹ And he got into the boat with them, and the wind ceased. And they were utterly astounded, ⁵² for they did not understand about the loaves, but their hearts were hardened. (ESV)

Celebrant This is the Gospel of Christ.

People Alleluia! Praise be to Christ our Savior.

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Sermon

The Rev. Owen Lyons

The Nicene Creed

Celebrant We stand together with Christians throughout the centuries, and throughout the world today, to affirm our faith in the words of 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 of the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered, died, 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who 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

Celebrant Almighty God, Your Son Jesus Christ has promised that You will hear us when we ask in faith: Lord, receive the prayers we offer to You.

Psalmist We pray Lord that You guide and govern Your holy church and that You fill it with love and truth; grant it that unity, which is Your will, binding it together with Your Spirit.

All That we all may be one in Christ.

Psalmist Grant that every member of this parish may truly and humbly serve You; Lord help us to be a home for the lost, a shelter for the homeless, a beacon that shines from the top of this hill. Let that beacon not only shine over New Braunfels but Texas and the world.

All That Your Name may be glorified by everyone.

Psalmist We pray for those who suffer from hunger, illness, loneliness, imprisonment, loss of loved ones, loss of jobs. We lift up to You those You have placed on our hearts individually.

All Merciful God, hear our prayer.

Psalmist We pray for all bishops, priests and deacons; especially Steve, our Archbishop; Clark, our Bishop; and Chuck and Owen our priests. Fill them with Your Spirit, and may they faithfully preach the Gospel and administer Your holy sacraments.

All That they may be faithful ministers of Your word and sacraments.

Psalmist We pray for all who govern and exercise authority in the nations of the world. That the nations may peacefully co-exist, and that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among all peoples.

All That there may be peace and justice among all.

Psalmist Strengthen and protect those serving and defending our nation at home and abroad.

All Protect them, O Lord.

Psalmist We pray for the persecuted church that the believers will sense God's presence; and that they feel connected to the greater Body of Christ. May they be comforted by God if they or their family members are killed, injured or imprisoned for their witness.

All Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Psalmist Strengthen your Church for her witness and work in the world. Today we lift up FaithPointe Family Fellowship, Lafayette, LA. We ask your anointing upon Archbishop Lamido, Kaduna, Nigeria; and the Fellowship of Confessing Anglicans around the world. We especially pray that you would empower our sister parish, Christ Church Jerusalem, as an instrument for your peace in Jerusalem, Israel, and the Middle East.

All Strengthen Your people, O Lord.

Psalmist For the little children and babies: born and unborn, that their tender lives may be protected and their rights guarded.

All Protect them, O Lord.

Psalmist We praise You and thank You for Your bountiful blessings. We know it is You who continues to provide for the growth of this City on a Hill. We pray for the continual support and commitment of this parish family who call this their church home.

All Lord, hear our prayers.

Celebrant Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

Prayers of Penitence

Celebrant Hear the words of challenge and comfort our Savior Christ says to all who follow him. If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself, take up his cross and follow Me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for My sake will save it. (Luke 9:23-24)

Come to me all of you who are tired of carrying your heavy loads, and I will give you rest. (Matthew 11:28)

So, all of you who repent of your sins, who love your neighbors and intend to lead a new life, following the way of Jesus, come with faith and take this holy sacrament to strengthen you. Let us reverently confess our sins to Almighty God.

All Almighty God, creator of all, You marvelously made us in Your image; but we have corrupted ourselves and damaged Your likeness by rejecting Your love and hurting our neighbors. We have done wrong and neglected to do right. We are sincerely sorry and heartily repent of our sins. Cleanse us and forgive us by the sacrifice of Your Son; remake us and lead us by Your Spirit, the Comforter. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God, whose steadfast love is as great as the heavens are high above the earth, remove your sins from you as far as the east is from the west, strengthen your life in His kingdom and keep you upright to the last day; through Jesus Christ our merciful High Priest. *Amen*.

All Thank you Father, for forgiveness; we come to Your table as Your children, not presuming but assured, not trusting ourselves but Your Word; we hunger and thirst for righteousness, and ask for our hearts to be satisfied with the body and blood of Your Son, Jesus Christ the righteous. Amen.

The Peace

Offertory Song "Leaning On/'Tis So Sweet to Trust In Jesus"

Louisa M. R. Stead, William James Kirkpatrick, Anthony Johnson Showalter, Elisha Albright Hoffman, David Crowder

What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms What a blessedness, what a peace is mine Leaning on the everlasting arms

Chorus1: Lord I'm leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms

Oh, how sweet to walk in the pilgrim way, leaning on the everlasting arms Oh, how bright the path grows from day to day Leaning on the everlasting arms

Chorus2: Oh I'm leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms

What have I to dread, what have I to fear, leaning on the everlasting arms I have blessed peace with my Lord so near Leaning on the everlasting arms (*Chorus2*)

Oh I'm leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms Leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms

Chorus3: Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him, how I've proved Him o'er and o'er Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus, O for grace to trust Him more

Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, just to take Him at His word Just to rest upon His promise, just to know thus saith the Lord (*Chorus3*)

All sing Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise Him all creatures here below, praise Him above ye heavenly host, praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer

Celebrant Is the Father with us?

People He is.

Celebrant Is Christ among us?

People He is.

Celebrant Is the Spirit here?

People He is.

Celebrant This is our God.

People Father, Son and the Holy Spirit.

CelebrantPeopleCelebrantWe are redeemed.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 our delight to give You thanks and praise, great Father, living God, supreme over the world. Creator, Provider, Savior and Giver. For Abraham, a wandering nomad You made an everlasting covenant and called Your family; for a burdened people You raised up Moses as prophet and leader; for a confused nation You chose David t be a king; for a rebellious crowd, You sent Your prophets.

In these last days You have sent us Your Son, Your perfect image, bringing Your kingdom, revealing Your will, dying, rising, reigning, remaking Your people for Yourself. Through Him You have poured out Your Holy Spirit, filling us with light and life.

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 with angels, archangels, faithful ancestors and all in heaven, we proclaim Your great and glorious name, forever praising You and singing,

"Sanctus"

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power of power and might, heaven and earth are full of Your glory. (2x)

Men sing: Holy, Holy, Holy...

Ladies sing: Hosanna in the highest, blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. (2x)

All: Holy, holy, Lord, God of power of power and might, heaven and earth are full of Your glory.

People remain standing

Celebrant Almighty God, owner of all things, we thank You for giving up Your Son to die on the cross for us who owe You everything. Pour Your refreshing Spirit on us as we remember Him in the way He commanded, through these gifts of Your creation.

On the same night that He was betrayed He took bread and gave You thanks; He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, take, eat, this is My body which is given for You; Do this in remembrance of Me.

People Amen. His body was broken for us.

Celebrant In the same way, after supper He took the cup and gave You thanks; He gave it to them saying: 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. Do this as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.

People Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant We are brothers and sisters through His blood.

People We have died together, we will rise together, we will live together.

Therefore, heavenly Father, hear us as we celebrate this covenant with joy, and await the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ. He died in our place, making a full atonement for the sins of the whole world, the perfect sacrifice, once and for all. You accepted His offering by raising Him from death, and granting Him great honor at Your right hand on high.

People Amen. Jesus is Lord.

Celebrant This is the feast of victory!

People The Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia!

The Communion

Celebrant As our Savior taught us, we are bold to pray:

All 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.

Celebrant We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

People Though we are many we are one body, for we all share one bread.

Celebrant The cup of blessing which we bless,
 People is a sharing in the blood of Christ.
 Celebrant Draw near with faith and receive.

People Christ is the host and we are His guests.

Celebrant Christ is alive for ever.

People We are because He is.

The celebrant then holds the bread and the wine and declares to the people:

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ which was given for you, to keep your body and soul in eternal life. Take this in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on Him in your hearts, by faith, and with thanksgiving.

"Mystery" Charlie Hall

Sweet Jesus Christ my sanity - Sweet Jesus Christ my clarity
Bread of Heaven broken for me - Cup of salvation held out to drink – Jesus Mystery
Christ has died and Christ is risen - Christ will come again

Communion Songs "The Old Rugged Cross"

George Bennard

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross, the emblem of suffering and shame; and I love that old cross where the dearest and best for a world of lost sinners was slain

Chorus: So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down; I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it someday for a crown

O that old rugged cross, so despised by the world, has a wondrous attraction for me; for the dear Lamb of God left his glory above to bear it to dark Calvary (*Chorus*)

In the old rugged cross, stained with blood so divine, a wondrous beauty I see for 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died, to pardon and sanctify me (*Chorus*)

To the old rugged cross I will ever be true, its shame and reproach gladly bear; then He'll call me some day to my home far away, where His glory forever I'll share

"Christ Be Magnified"

Cody Carnes, Cory Asbury, Ethan Hulse

Were creation suddenly articulate With a thousand tongues to lift one cry Then from north to south and east to west We'd hear Christ be magnified

Were the whole earth echoing His eminence His Name would burst from sea and sky From rivers to the mountain tops We'd hear Christ be magnified Chorus: O Christ be magnified let His praise arise Christ be magnified in me
O Christ be magnified from the altar of my life Christ be magnified in me

When every creature finds its inmost melody And every human heart its native cry O then in one enraptured hymn of praise We'll sing Christ be magnified *(Chorus)*

Bridge1: I won't bow to idols I'll stand strong and worship You And if it puts me in the fire I'll rejoice 'cause You're there too I won't be formed by feelings I hold fast to what is true If the cross brings transformation Then I'll be crucified with You

Bridge2: 'Cause death is just the doorway Into resurrection life
If I join You in Your sufferings
Then I'll join You when You rise
And when You return in glory
With all the angels and the saints
My heart will still be singing
My song will be the same (Chorus)

"Fill My Cup"

Andrew Ripp, Ethan Hulse, Thad Cockrell

Been walkin' to a city I cannot see
Through the depths of the valley where the sun can't reach
I've been high I've been low
I've been lookin' for the river that could fill my soul
Been walkin' to a city I cannot see

Chorus: Fill my cup Lord run it over Give me love give me joy give me peace Fill my cup Lord run it over I am Your child in need Lord I need You to fill my cup

Been walkin' over lies standin' in my way
They can say what they want I don't want what they say
I was born far from home but I've been thriving
In the wonder of the great unknown
Cause I'm drinking from a well from another place (Chorus)

Bridge: Fill my house up with hope fill my plans up with purpose Fill my wounds up with healing Lord I need You to fill my cup Fill my days up with meaning fill my future with vision Goodness grace and provision Lord I need You to fill my cup

And when I get to that city I cannot see I'll know that even this valley was a golden stream (*Chorus, Bridge*)

Post-Communion Prayer

All Almighty God, eternal Father, we have sat at Your feet, learned from Your word, and eaten from Your table. We give You thanks and praise for accepting us into Your family. Send us out with Your blessing, to live and to witness for You in the power of Your Spirit, through Jesus Christ, the First Born from the dead. Amen.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn "Victory in Jesus"

Eugene M. Bartlett

I heard an old, old story, how a Savior came from glory How He gave His life on Calvary to save a wretch like me I heard about His groaning, of His precious blood's atoning Then I repented of my sin and won the victory

Chorus: Oh victory in Jesus, my Savior forever He sought me and bought me, with His redeeming blood He loved me 'ere I knew Him, and all my love is due Him He plunged me to victory, beneath the cleansing flood

I heard about His healing, of His cleansing power revealing How He made the lame to walk again, and caused the blind to see And then I cried, "dear Jesus, come and heal my broken spirit" And somehow Jesus came and brought to me the victory *(Chorus)*

I heard about a mansion He has built for me in glory And I heard about the streets of gold beyond the crystal sea About the angels singing that old redemption story And some sweet day I'll sing up there the song of victory (Chorus)

Celebrant Words of dismissal.

All Praise be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

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