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October 23, 2022 – 20th Sunday of Pentecost

Welcome & Acknowledgement

(anything in **bold** we invite you to say with us)

Opening Sentence –

God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself, and he has entrusted us with the message of reconciliation. 2
Corinthians 5.19

Opening Hymn - Let All Creation Bless The Lord

Introductory Responses

Lord, open our lips,
and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

O God, make speed to save us.
O Lord, make haste to help us.

Blessed be God: Source of all being, eternal Word
and Holy Spirit.
Blessed be God for ever.

The Penitential Rite

If you continue in my word, you are truly my
disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth
will make you free. John 8.31-32

Let us confess our sins against God and our
neighbour.

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 that enslaves us,
the evil we have done
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore and strengthen us
through our Saviour Jesus Christ,
so that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen..**

May the God of love and power
forgive us and free us from our sins,
heal and strengthen us by the Holy Spirit
and raise us to new life in Jesus Christ.
Amen.

The Gloria –

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 Proclamation of the Word

The Psalm for the day - Psalm 65

Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion; and to you shall
vows be performed,

**O you who answer prayer! To you all flesh shall
come.**

When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, you forgive
our transgressions.

**Happy are those whom you choose and bring near
to live in your courts. We shall be satisfied with
the goodness of your house, your holy temple.**

By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance,
O God of our salvation; you are the hope of all the
ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.

**By your strength you established the mountains;
you are girded with might.**

You silence the roaring of the seas, the roaring of
their waves, the tumult of the peoples.

**Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are
awed by your signs; you make the gateways of the
morning and the evening shout for joy.**

You visit the earth and water it, you greatly enrich
it; the river of God is full of water; you provide the
people with grain, for so you have prepared it.

**You water its furrows abundantly, settling its
ridges, softening it with showers, and blessing its
growth.**

You crown the year with your bounty; your wagon
tracks overflow with richness.

**The pastures of the wilderness overflow, the hills
gird themselves with joy,**

The meadows clothe themselves with flocks, the
valleys deck themselves with grain, they shout and
sing together for joy.

Lord God, joy marks your presence; beauty,
abundance, and peace are the tokens of your work
in all creation. Work also in our lives, that by these
signs we may see the splendour of your love and
praise you through Jesus Christ our Lord.. **Amen**

The 1st Reading – Joel 2:23-32

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.
Thanks be to God.

The Responsory

Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead.
And Christ shall give you light.
**Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead.
And Christ shall give you light.**

You have died and your life is hid with Christ in
God. Set your minds on things that are above,
not on things that are on the earth.
**Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead.
And Christ shall give you light.**

When Christ our life appears
you will appear with him in glory.
**Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead.
And Christ shall give you light.**

The 2nd Reading - 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

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The Canticle

A Song of David (1 Chronicles 29.10b-13, 14b)

Blessed are you, God of Israel, for ever and ever;
**for yours is the greatness, the power,
the glory, the splendour and the majesty.
Everything in heaven and on earth is yours;**

you are sovereign, O Lord,
and you are exalted as head over all.
Riches and honour come from you

**and you rule over all.
In your hand are power and might;**

yours it is to give power and strength to all.
And now we give you thanks, our God,

**and praise your glorious name.
For all things come from you,**

and of your own have we given you.

The Gradual Hymn - Oh God Of Font And Altar

The Gospel - Luke 18:9-14

The Lord be with you.
And with thy spirit.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to . . .
Glory be to thee, O Lord.

The Gospel of Christ.
Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Reflection – Wilson Akinwale

Affirmation of Faith

Let us affirm our faith as we say together the
words of the Apostles' Creed

**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 again 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.**

The Prayers for the Community

Friends in Christ,

God invites us to hold the needs of our sisters and
brothers as dear to us as our own needs.
Loving our neighbors as ourselves,
we offer our thanksgivings and our petitions
on behalf of the church and the world.

As we stand in God's presence, let us pray to the
Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

For the whole People of God, that each one may be
a true and faithful servant of Christ, let us pray to
the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For those drawing near to the light of faith, that the
Lord will bring them to true knowledge of himself,
let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For our families and friends, that the Lord will give
them joy and satisfaction in all that they do, let us
pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For those who are lonely, sick, hungry, persecuted,
or ignored, that the Lord will comfort and sustain
them, let us pray to the
Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For our country, that the Lord will help us to
contribute to its true growth and well-being, let us
pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the whole human family, that we may live
together in justice and peace, let us pray to the
Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

Hear our prayers, God of power,
and through the ministry of your Son
free us from the grip of the tomb,
that we may desire you as the fullness of life

and proclaim your saving deeds to all the world.
Amen.

Collect 1 –

Source of light, yours is the morning and yours is the evening. May Christ, the Sun of righteousness, shine for ever in our hearts and draw us to that light where you live in radiant glory. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

The Lord's Prayer

Rejoicing in God's new creation
and gathering our prayers and praises into one,
let us pray as our Saviour taught us,
and we invite you pray in the language your heart
loves best,

**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 for ever. Amen.**

The Closing Hymn Jesus Where'er Thy People Meet

Collect 2 –

Lord God our redeemer, who heard the cry of your people and sent your servant Moses to lead them out of slavery, free us from the tyranny of sin and death, and by the leading of your Spirit bring us to our promised land; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Dismissal

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generous donations and giving. We pray that the risen Lord bless and multiply you in all you do.

Go Forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. And be what you are, the church in the World. **Amen**

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