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Homilist & Deacon: The Reverend Deacon Eric Johnson

We acknowledge that we are on the ancestral lands of the Coast Salish peoples, past and present, and we honor the land itself and the Coastal Salish people today.

Ascension Sunday

16 May 2021

10:30 am

Morning Prayer

Opening Scripture

BCP 77

Presider Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Reader The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Presider If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. (*Colossians 3:1*)

The Invitatory & Psalter

BCP 80

Presider Lord, open our lips.

Reader And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Antiphon

Presider Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed. Come let us adore him. Alleluia.

BCP 81

Invitatory Psalm

Christ Our Passover

BCP 83

Alleluia.

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; *
therefore let us keep the feast,
Not with old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, *
but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.

Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; *
death no longer has dominion over him.

The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; *
but the life he lives, he lives to God.

So also consider yourselves dead to sin, *
and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia.

Christ has been raised from the dead, *
the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

For since by a man came death, *
by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die, *
so in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.

The Psalm Appointed

Psalm 47

BCP 650

Clap your hands, all you peoples; *
shout to God with a cry of joy.

For the Lord Most High is to be feared; *
he is the great King over all the earth.

He subdues the peoples under us, *
and the nations under our feet.

He chooses our inheritance for us, *
the pride of Jacob whom he loves.

God has gone up with a shout, *
the Lord with the sound of the ram's-horn.

Sing praises to God, sing praises; *
sing praises to our King, sing praises.

For God is King of all the earth; *
sing praises with all your skill.

God reigns over the nations; *
God sits upon his holy throne.

The nobles of the peoples have gathered together *
with the people of the God of Abraham.

The rulers of the earth belong to God, *
and he is highly exalted.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

The Lessons

First Reading

Reader: Shirley Barrett

A reading from Acts 1:1-11

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Canticle 8

BCP 85

The Song of Moses

I will sing to the Lord, for he is lofty and uplifted; *
the horse and its rider has he hurled into the sea.
The Lord is my strength and my refuge; *
the Lord has become my Savior.
This is my God and I will praise him, *
the God of my people and I will exalt him.
The Lord is a mighty warrior; *
Yahweh is his Name.
The chariots of Pharaoh and his army has he hurled into the sea; *
the finest of those who bear armor have been drowned in the Red Sea.
The fathomless deep has overwhelmed them; *
they sank into the depths like a stone.
Your right hand, O Lord, is glorious in might; *
your right hand, O Lord, has overthrown the enemy.
Who can be compared with you, O Lord, among the gods? *
who is like you, glorious in holiness, awesome in renown, and worker of wonders?
You stretched forth your right hand; *
the earth swallowed them up.
With your constant love you led the people you redeemed; *
with your might you brought them in safety to your holy dwelling.
You will bring them in and plant them *
on the mount of your possession,
The resting-place you have made for yourself, O Lord, *
the sanctuary, O Lord, that your hand has established.
The Lord shall reign *
for ever and for ever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Second Reading

Reader: Erin Kohlhaas

A reading from Ephesians 1:15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

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The Song of the Redeemed

O ruler of the universe, Lord God,
 great deeds are they that you have done, *
 surpassing human understanding.
 Your ways are ways of righteousness and truth, *
 O King of all the ages.

Who can fail to do you homage, Lord,
 and sing the praises of your Name? *
 for you only are the Holy One.

All nations will draw near and fall down before you, *
 because your just and holy works have been revealed.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
 as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Third Reading

A reading from Luke 24:44-53

Then Jesus said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."

Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

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Homily

The Reverend Deacon Eric Johnson

Please observe a period of silence.

The Apostles' Creed

BCP 96

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
 I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
 He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.
 He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
 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

Traditional Lord's Prayer

BCP 97

Presider The Lord be with you.
Reader And also with you.
Presider Let us pray.
Reader 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 Collect of the Day: Ascension Sunday

BCP 226

Almighty God, whose blessed Son our Savior Jesus Christ ascended far above all heavens that he might fill all things: Mercifully give us faith to perceive that, according to his promise, he abides with his Church on earth, even to the end of the ages; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

A Collect for Grace

BCP 100

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer for Mission # 2

BCP 100

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Form I

BCP 383

Leader With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."
Silence

Leader For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Leader For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Leader For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Leader For Anacortes, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.
 People Lord, have mercy.

Leader For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.
 People Lord, have mercy.

Leader For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.
 People Lord, have mercy.

Leader For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.
 People Lord, have mercy.

Leader For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.
 People Lord, have mercy.

Leader For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.
 People Lord, have mercy.

Leader For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.
 People Lord, have mercy.

Leader That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.
 People Lord, have mercy.

Leader Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.
 We remember those on our Prayer List

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Linda & Zoanne •Tom & Pamela •Valerie •Elana, mother of Baudelina •Mark, nephew of Janice •Maria, Tony, & Sharon, friends of Jean •Jane, daughter of Guy & Sandy •Father Dale Johnson •Jim •Dale | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Diana & Bill •Kim & Ava, friends of Sylvia •Sally, friend of Sandy •Clark •Payson & Amy, nephew & niece-in-law of Janice •Sean & family, friends of Janice •Ted & Lanette, brother-in-law & sister of Linda •Will & Irene, son & daughter-in-law of John & Diane •Flor & baby Camila |
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- We pray for those called to Circle ministry by this congregation as they enter a period of discernment: Erin, Melissa, Shirley, John, Mark, & Maggie.
- We pray for our Clergy: Reverend Brian, Reverend Diane, and Rev. Deacon Eric; We are grateful for their work on our behalf and we pray they always know the comfort and healing of the Good Shepherd's embrace as they live out their calls to serve God.

People Lord, have mercy.

Leader In the communion of saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

People To thee, O Lord our God.

Silence

Concluding Collect

Collect #20: For the Sick

BCP 260

Heavenly Father, giver of life and health: Comfort and relieve your ill or troubled servants, and give your power of healing to those who minister to their needs, that those for whom our prayers are offered may be strengthened in their weakness and have confidence in your loving care; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The General Thanksgiving

BCP 101

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

Prayer of St. Chrysostom

BCP 102

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

Closing

Presider Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Presider The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. *(2 Corinthians 13:14)*

People Amen.

Coffee Hour follows the Service.

Please join in. All are welcome.