

THE TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
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THE WORD OF GOD

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J.S. Bach

WELCOME

HYMN 632 *Standing*

1 O Christ, the Word In - car - nate, O Wis - dom from on high,  
2 The Church from our dear Mas - ter re - ceived the word di - vine,  
3 O make thy Church, dear Sa - vior, a lamp of pur - est gold,

O Truth, un - changed, un - chang - ing, O Light of our dark sky;  
and still that light is lift - ed o'er all the earth to shine.  
to bear be - fore the na - tions thy true light as of old;

we praise thee for the ra - diance that from the scrip - ture's page,  
It is the chart and com - pass that o'er life's surg - ing sea,  
O teach thy wan - dering pil - grims by this their path to trace,

a lan - tern to our foot - steps, shines on from age to age.  
mid mists and rocks and quick - sands, still guides, O Christ, to thee.  
till, clouds and dark - ness end - ed, they see thee face to face.

THE ACCLAMATION *Standing*

*Presider:* Blessed are you, most holy and living God.

*People:* **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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. **Amen.**

GLORIA *Sung by all*

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1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly  
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we  
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus  
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy  
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,  
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most  
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the  
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Presider:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Presider:* Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING: Judges 4:1-7

The Israelites again did what was evil in the sight of the Lord, after Ehud died. So the Lord sold them into the hand of King Jabin of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor; the commander of his army was Sisera, who lived in Harosheth-ha-goiim. Then the Israelites cried out to the Lord for help; for he had nine hundred chariots of iron, and had oppressed the Israelites cruelly twenty years. At that time Deborah, a prophetess, wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel. She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim; and the Israelites came up to her for judgment. She sent and summoned Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali, and said to him, "The Lord, the God of Israel, commands you, 'Go, take position at Mount Tabor, bringing ten thousand from the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of Zebulun. I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin's army, to meet you by the Wadi Kishon with his chariots and his troops; and I will give him into your hand.'"

*Lector:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 123 *The antiphon is sung first by the cantor, then all.*

Plainsong Tone VI



- 1 To you I lift up my eyes, \*  
to you enthroned in the heavens.
- 2 As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, \*  
and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,
- 3 So our eyes look to the Lord our God, \*  
until he show us his mercy.
- 4 Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy, \*  
for we have had more than enough of contempt,
- 5 Too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, \*  
and of the derision of the proud.

THE SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

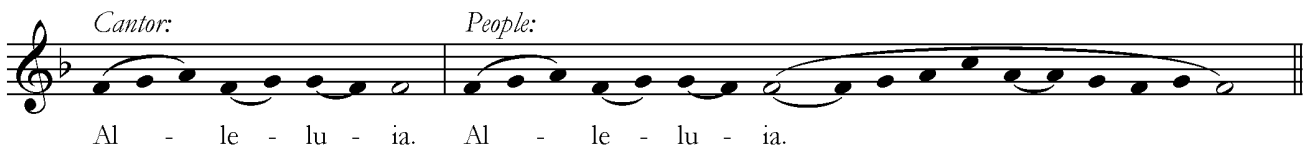
Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation

through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

*Lector:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA



*Cantor:* Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice.

- Psalm 130

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 25:14-30 *Standing*

*Gospeller:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

Jesus said, "It is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

*Gospeller:* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Joyce Scheyer

*A period of silence follows the sermon.*

THE NICENE CREED *All standing*

**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 II

*In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.*

*Leader:* I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Jennifer, our bishop; for our companion diocese of Brasilia and their bishop, Mauricio; for our companions at Transfiguration church in Nuevo Progreso in the Diocese of Southeastern Mexico, and their bishop, Julio; for the people of the Diocese of Haiti, especially Saint Andrew's Parish in Mithon, for the Venerable Jean Michelin, their priest; in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, pray for St. James, Vincennes, The Rev. John Gedrick, their priest and The Rev. Mary Becker, their Deacon, and for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.

Pray for the Church.

*Silence*

*Leader:* I ask your prayers for peace; for racial justice, for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. For Donald, our president, Joe, our president-elect, Eric, our governor; Joe, our mayor, for those newly elected to public offices, for a peaceful transition, for the leaders of the nations and all those in authority that they may serve with justice and promote the dignity and freedom of every person.

Pray for justice and peace.

*Silence*

*Leader:* I ask your prayers for the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, Stir up in us a thirst for justice that protects the earth and all its resources.

Pray for the wisdom and will to conserve the beauty and abundance of the earth.

*Silence*

*Leader:* I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray especially for Harry, Michael, Darrin, Bethany and Philip, Maria, Maureen, Beatrice, Jude, and Barbie.

Pray for those in any need or trouble.

*Silence*

*Leader:* I ask your prayers of wisdom, creativity, and perseverance for all medical professionals, researchers, policy makers, and leaders in finding and developing the resources, medical skill, and political will to contain and end this COVID-19 pandemic.

Pray for those infected with COVID-19 and those who care for them.

*Silence*

*Leader:* I ask your prayers for the departed, especially Robert Bradner and Janet Lewis Anderson, and for those who have lost their lives to COVID-19, gun violence, and natural disasters.

Pray for those who have died.

*Silence*

*Presider:* Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask: Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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

*All:* **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 Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

*Presider:* 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. **Amen**

THE PEACE *Standing*

*Presider:* The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*All greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

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ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

Unsre Stärke heisst zu schwach, from *Cantata 14*

J.S. Bach

Uns're Stärke heißt zu schwach,  
Unserm Feind zu widerstehen.  
Stünd uns nicht der Höchste bei,  
Würd uns ihre Tyrannie  
Bald bis an das Leben gehen.

Our strength itself is too weak  
to withstand our enemy.  
If the Highest did not stand with us,  
their tyranny  
would soon reach to our very lives.

*-Paraphrase of Martin Luther*

HYMN 655 *Standing*



1 O Je - sus, I have prom-ised to serve thee to the end:  
2 O let me hear thee speak-ing in ac - cents clear and still,  
3 O Je - sus, thou hast prom-ised to all who fol - low thee,



be thou for ev - er near me, my Mas - ter and my friend;  
a - bove the storms of pas-sion, the mur-murs of self - will;  
that where thou art in glo - ry there shall thy ser - vant be;



I shall not fear the bat - tle, if thou art by my side,  
O speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;  
and, Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve thee to the end;



nor wan - der from the path - way, if thou wilt be my guide.  
O speak, and make me lis - ten, thou guard-ian of my soul.  
O give me grace to fol - low, my Mas - ter and my friend.

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

*Presider:* Let us pray.

*People:* **Gracious God, in union with the faithful across the Church, we thank you for gathering us as your people. We present ourselves to You, along with all who cannot gather around the altar at this time, believing and trusting in Your real presence in the sacrament of Holy Communion. We love you above all things; our soul longs for you. And so, we call to remembrance the many times we have been fed at your table. As we cannot now receive you sacramentally, we implore you to come spiritually into our hearts. We embrace you with all the affection of our soul. May this spiritual Communion be for us an armor of faith and shield of goodwill and liberation. Sustain us, heal us, and encourage us, with your Holy Spirit until we meet again as one Church and one Body. We ask this for your love. Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Presider:* As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say

**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.**

*A Prayer for the Power of the Spirit Among the People of God; Presiding Bishop Michael Curry has called the entire Episcopal Church to prayer with these words this Pentecost Season.*

*Presider:* God of all power and love, we give thanks for your unfailing presence and the hope you provide in times of uncertainty and loss. Send your Holy Spirit to enkindle in us your holy fire. Revive us to live as Christ's body in the world: a people who pray, worship, learn, break bread, share life, heal neighbors, bear good news, seek justice, rest and grow in the Spirit. Wherever and however we gather, unite us in common prayer and send us in common mission, that we and the whole creation might be restored and renewed, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE BLESSING

HYMN 598 *Standing*

Lord Christ, when first thou cam'st to earth

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THE DISMISSAL

*Deacon:* Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

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