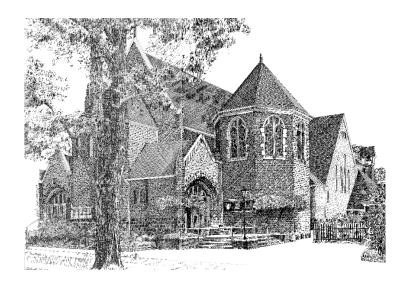


The Dormition of the Blessed Virgin Mary Sunday, August 15, 2021

Sung Eucharist at 9:30 am



The Altar flowers are given to the honour and glory of almighty God:

In loving memory of my brother David Clarke, and my parents, William John and Jean Clarke, by Susan Clarke;

and

In loving memory of Dorothy Walters Grange, Judith Claire Grange, and Eric Nisbet-Brown.

MUSIC OF THE MASS - Plainsong Mass, David Hurd

PRELUDE: 'Ave Maria,' from Five Liturgical Inventions, Victor Togni

GREETING

Celebrant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People: And also with you.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant: Almighty God,

People: To you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. 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 IN EXCELSIS DEO

Celebrant: 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

Let us pray.

O God, you have taken to yourself the blessed Virgin Mary, mother of your incarnate Son. May we who have been redeemed by his blood, share with her the glory of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: Isaiah 7.10-15

Again the LORD spoke to Ahaz, "Ask a sign of the LORD your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven." But Ahaz said, "I will not ask, and I will not put the LORD to the test." And he said, "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary men, that you weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, a young woman shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel. He shall eat curds and honey when he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good."

The word of the Lord. *R* / **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: 132.6-10, 13-14

- 6 "The Ark! We heard it was in Ephratah; * we found it in the fields of Jearim.
- 7 Let us go to God's dwelling place; * let us fall upon our knees before his footstool."
- 8 Arise, O Lord, into your resting-place, * you and the ark of your strength.
- 9 Let your priests be clothed with righteousness; * let your faithful people sing with joy.
- 10 For your servant David's sake, * do not turn away the face of your anointed.
- 13 If your children keep my covenant and my testimonies that I shall teach them, * their children will sit upon your throne for evermore."
- 14 For the Lord has chosen Zion, * he has desired her for his habitation:

SECOND READING: Galatians 4.4-7

But when the time had fully come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So through God you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son then an heir.

The word of the Lord. *R* / **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia. Alleluia. Hail, O favoured one, the Lord is with you! The Holy Spirit will come upon you. Alleluia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 1.46-55

V / The Lord be with you.
R / And also with you.
V / The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
R / Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, for he has regarded the low estate of his handmaiden. For behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed; for he who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name. And his mercy is on those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm, he has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts, he has put down the mighty from their thrones, and exalted those of low degree; he has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent empty away. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, as he spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his posterity for ever."

The Gospel of Christ. *R* / **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

SERMON

THE NICENE CREED

Celebrant: Let us confess our faith, as we say,

People: 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped 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.

INTERCESSIONS

Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ, let us pray for the church and for the world.

silence

Lord, in your mercy,

R / Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: I ask your prayers for the church universal throughout the world; for Andrew our bishop, and for all who serve and minister to God's people.

silence

Lord, in your mercy, *R* / Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: I ask your prayers for the Queen and for all in authority in our nation, province, and city. May God guide us in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honour one another and serve the common good.

silence

Lord, in your mercy, *R* / Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: I ask your prayers for all those in need, for the sick_____, and all those suffering from the coronavirus, for elders in isolation, for prisoners, for refugees and migrants, for the oppressed, for those who mourn, and for all for whom our prayers are asked_____, that they will be comforted by the ever-present love of our Lord.

silence

Lord, in your mercy, *R* / Hear our prayer.

Intercessor: I ask your prayers for the souls of the departed, especially_____ who have died in recent days, and on their year's mind for_____, that they may share with the Blessed Virgin Mary, and all the saints in God's eternal kingdom.

silence

Lord, in your mercy, *R* / Hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Eternal God, whose ear is open to the prayers of your children: Be pleased to accept these our petitions according to the riches of your grace, and for the glory of your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

INVITATION, CONFESSION, ABSOLUTION

Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

A Silence is kept.

Celebrant: Most merciful God,

People: 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 neighbours 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 upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

V / The peace of the Lord be always with you. *R* / **And also with you.**

Please stand for the hymn during the Offertory, sung by the Cantor alone

OFFERTORY HYMN 192 - The God whom earth, and sea, and sky

- The God whom earth, and sea, and sky Adore, and laud, and magnify, Whose might they own, whose praise they swell, In Mary's womb vouchsafed to dwell.
- 2 The Lord whom sun and moon obey, Whom all things serve from day to day, Was by the Holy Ghost conceived Of her who through his grace believed.
- 3 How blest that Mother, in whose shrine The world's Creator, Lord Divine, Whose hand contains the earth and sky, Once deigned, as in his ark, to lie;
- 4 Blest in the message Gabriel brought, Blest by the work the Spirit wrought; From whom the great Desire of earth Took human flesh and human birth.
- 5 O Lord, the Virgin-born, to thee Eternal praise and glory be, Whom with the Father we adore And Holy Ghost for evermore. Alleluia.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

God of mercy, receive all we offer you this day. May we share with the Virgin Mary the joys of your eternal kingdom, and live with you in unending love. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

V / The Lord be with you.

R / And also with you.

V / Lift up your hearts.

R / We lift them to the Lord.

V / Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R / It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, who in the mystery of his incarnation was made perfect man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; in him we have seen a new and radiant vision of your glory.

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

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.

We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling 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 Saviour 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 he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, 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."

Celebrant:Therefore, Father, according to his command:People:We remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory.

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, 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, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all 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 whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray:

People: 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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: "I am the bread of life," says the Lord.
"Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst." *People:* Taste and see that the Lord is good; Happy are they who trust in him!

HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant:The gifts of God for the people of God.People:Thanks be to God.

The Cantor sings:

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; grant us peace.

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION WHICH MAY BE SAID BY THOSE NOT RECEIVING

My Jesus, I believe that thou art truly present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive thee sacramentally, I beseech thee to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself unto thee, and embrace thee with all the affections of my soul. Let me never be separated from thee. Let me live and die in thy love. Amen.

ANIMA CHRISTI

Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me. Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water from the side of Christ, wash me. Passion of Christ, strengthen me. O good Jesu, hear me. Within thy wounds hide me. Suffer me not to be separated from thee. From the malicious enemy defend me. In the hour of my death call me. And bid me come to thee, That with thy saints I may praise thee, For ever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant: Let us pray.

God of grace, today we raise our voices to magnify your holy name, and, in our own generation, to call her blessed who became the mother of our Saviour Jesus Christ. May we who have shared this holy food continue, with her, in your glorious kingdom, founded and established in Jesus Christ our Lord. We ask this in his name. **Amen**.

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

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 Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. *People:* **Thanks be to God.**

CONCLUDING HYMN 807 – Sing of Mary, pure and lowly

- Sing of Mary, pure and lowly Virgin-Mother undefiled.
 Sing of God's own Son most holy, Who became her little child.
 Fairest child of fairest Mother, God the Lord who came to earth, Word made Flesh, our very Brother, Takes our nature by his birth.
- 2 Sing of Jesus, Son of Mary, In the home at Nazareth. Toil and labour cannot weary Love enduring unto death. Constant was the love he gave her, Though it drove him from her side, Forth to preach, and heal, and suffer, Till on Calvary he died.
- 3 Sing of Mary, sing of Jesus, Holy Mother's holier Son.
 From his throne in heaven he sees us, Thither calls us every one, Where he welcomes home his Mother To a place at his right hand, There his faithful servants gather, There the crownèd victors stand.
- 4 Joyful Mother, full of gladness, In thine arms thy Lord was borne. Mournful Mother, full of sadness, All thy heart with pain was torn. Glorious Mother, now rewarded With a crown at Jesus' hand, Age to age thy name recorded Shall be blest in every land.
- 5 Glory be to God the Father; Glory be to God the Son; Glory be to God the Spirit; Glory to the Three in One.
 From the heart of blessèd Mary, From all saints the song ascends, And the Church the strain re-echoes Unto earth's remotest ends.

Anon. c. 1914

POSTLUDE: Wir glauben all an einen Gott, BWV 680, J.S. Bach