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**thanksgiving sunday**

ELW – Holy Communion Setting Ten

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Prelude

Announcements

**GATHERING**

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

**Confession and Forgiveness** pg. 94

***All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism.***

In the name of Father, and the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

***Silence is kept for reflection.***

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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 neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

***Entrance Hymn Come, Ye Thankful People, Come  ELW 693***

**Greeting** pg. 203

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

**And also with you.**

**Kyrie**  pg. 203

Have mercy on us, Lord, and hear our solemn prayer.

We come to hear your living word; it saves us from despair.

Have mercy on us, Christ, and wash away our sin.

Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may begin.

Have mercy on us, Lord, make sin and shame depart.

Renew us with your saving pow’r; create in us new hearts!

**Canticle of Praise** *(Glory be to God)*pg. 204

***Glory be to God in heaven; peace, goodwill to all the earth.***

***Mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth:***

***we exalt you, we adore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.***

***Saints and angels bow before you; here on earth our songs we raise.***

***Glory be to Christ forever, Lamb of God and Lord of love.***

***Son of God and gracious Savior, you have come from heav’n above;***

***on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God’s right hand.***

***Hear our prayer; restore, forgive us; in your promise firm we stand.***

***Holy One we now acclaim you; Lord alone, to you we call;***

***Holy One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:***

***Jesus Christ, with God the Spirit, in the Father’s splendor bright.***

***For the peace that we inherit, glory be to God on high!***

**Prayer of the Day**

***Almighty God our Creator, your generous goodness comes to us new every day. By the work of your Spirit lead us to acknowledge your goodness, give thanks for your benefits, and serve you in willing obedience, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.***

**WORD**

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Psalm Psalm 100

Second Reading Phillipians 4:4-9

**Gospel Acclamation** pg. 205

***Alleluia! Lord and Savior: open now your saving word.***

***Let it burn like fire within us; speak until our hearts are stirred.***

***Alleluia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.***

Gospel Reading John 6:25-35

CLAY Presentation

Sermon

***Hymn of the Day I Am the Bread of Life ELW 485***

**The Apostles’ Creed**pg. 105

***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 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.***

**Prayers of Intercession**

Gathered with one voice, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

God who is known in grain and vine, the baptismal waters, and in your word, renew the church’s bishops, pastors, deacons, church staff, and all leaders of faith communities, that they live into the fruitful nurturing of disciples. *Lord in your mercy,* ***hear our prayer.***

God of creation, we give you thanks for the farmers in our area, for the harvest you provide and for those who help with the processing and distribution of our food. *Lord in your mercy,* ***hear our prayer.***

God of the widow and the orphan, we give thanks for all who serve and protect your most beloved. Speak to the hearts of all of our elected officials that they may service the people in their care as faithful advocates for peace and safety for all. *Lord in your mercy,* ***hear our prayer.***

God of tender assurance, we give thanks for your continued presence in times of need. Accompany those who are displaced from native lands, victims of injustice, or in need of your sustenance. Comfort those unable to rejoice because of worry or illness We especially pray for those whom you have entrusted to our care. *Lord in your mercy,* ***hear our prayer.***

God of abundance, we give thanks for the people of our congregations and for the gifts and talents shared in this community of faith. *Lord in your mercy,* ***hear our prayer.***

God who feeds us the bread of eternal life, we give thanks for the lives of the saints and our shared memories with those who have died. On this day we especially remember with thanksgiving the faithful service of Bishop Lee and ask your presence with all those who are mourning the death of their loved ones. *Lord in your mercy,* ***hear our prayer.***

We offer these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your grace and unyielding love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

**Sharing of the Peace**

Jesus said to his disciples, ‘Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give it, as the world gives. Let not your hearts be troubled and neither let them be afraid.’ The peace of the Lord be with you, and those you love. ***And also with you.***

***Special Music Song of Joyful Thanks Choir***

**MEAL**

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

**Offering *Create in Me a Clean Heart ELW 186***

***Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.***

***Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.***

***Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.***

**Offertory Prayer**

Blessed are you,

***O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.***

**The Great Thanksgiving**

**Dialogue** pg. 206

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**Proper Preface**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn**:**

**Sanctus** pg. 207

**Holy, 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. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Eucharistic Prayer**

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

***Do this for the remembrance of me.***

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

***Do this for the remembrance of me.***

**Lord’s Prayer** pg. 208

***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 forever. Amen.***

**Prayer for Those on Line**

Dear Jesus, we believe that you are truly present in this Holy Sacrament. We love you above all things, and desire you within our hearts. Since those who are with us on line cannot now receive you sacramentally, we ask you to come spiritually into their hearts. Unite them with all your faithful people gathered around the altar of your Church, and embrace them with your divine grace. We pray this prayer in your holy name. **Amen.**

**Invitation to Communion**

Come for all things have been made ready. These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

**Agnus Dei** pg. 208

***O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away;***

***you suffered death our lives to save: have mercy now, we pray.***

***O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away;***

***you set us free from guilt and grave: have mercy now, we pray.***

***O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away;***

***eternal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.***

Communion Distribution

**Prayer after Communion**

O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

***Special Music Hyfrydol Handbells***

**SENDING**

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

**Blessing**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord’s face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace. **Amen.**

***Sending Song Now Thank We All Our God  ELW 839***

**Dismissal**

Go forth into the world to serve God with gladness; be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honor all people; love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Now, go in peace, tell what God has done. **Thanks be to God.**

**The First Reading is from the book of Deuteronomy beginning at the 26th chapter and the 1st verse.**  *(Deuteronomy 26:1-11)*

1 “When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess and you possess it and settle in it, 2 you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. 3 You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time and say to him, ‘Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us.’ 4 When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, 5 you shall make this response before the Lord your God: ‘A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. 6 When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, 7 we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. 8 The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; 9 and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. 10 So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me.’ You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. 11 Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.”

**Listen for the leading of the Spirit. Thanks be to God**

**Our Psalm is Psalm 100. We will say the Psalm responsively by whole verse.** *(Reader, please read all of the verses so that the people on line can hear the responses as well.)*

1 Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all you lands!  
  2 Serve the Lord with gladness; come into God’s presence with a song.

3 **Know that the Lord is God, our maker to whom we belong;**  
  **we are God’s people and the sheep of God’s pasture.**

4 Enter the gates of the Lord with thanksgiving and the courts with praise;  
  give thanks and bless God’s holy name.

5 **Good indeed is the Lord, whose steadfast love is everlasting,**  
  **whose faithfulness endures from age to age.**

**The Second Reading is from Philippians beginning at the 4th chapter and the 4th verse.** *(Philippians 4:4-9)*

4 Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. 5 Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. 6 Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. 7 And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.  
  
  8 Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. 9 As for the things that you have learned and received and heard and noticed in me, do them, and the God of peace will be with you.

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**The Holy Gospel according to John the 6th chapter** *(John 6:25-35)*

**Glory to You O Lord!**

25 When [the disciples] found [Jesus] on the other side of the sea, they said to him, “Rabbi, when did you come here?” 26 Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me not because you saw signs but because you ate your fill of the loaves. 27 Do not work for the food that perishes but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.” 28 Then they said to him, “What must we do to perform the works of God?” 29 Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.” 30 So they said to him, “What sign are you going to give us, then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? 31 Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’ ” 32 Then Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. 33 For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” 34 They said

to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.”

35 Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.”

**Praise to You O Christ!**