###### The Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

**October 18, 2020**

###### The Celebration of Holy Eucharist Rite II

OPENING SONG and ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant*Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

***People*** **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

*Celebrant*Lord Have Mercy

***People*** **Christ Have Mercy**

*Celebrant* Lord Have Mercy

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, who inspired your servant Luke the physician to set forth in the Gospel the love and healing power of your Son: Graciously continue in your Church this love and power to heal, to the praise and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

**THE WORD OF GOD**

**First Reading –** Sirach 38:1-4,6-10,12-14

Honor physicians for their services,  
for the Lord created them;

for their gift of healing comes from the Most High,  
and they are rewarded by the king.

The skill of physicians makes them distinguished,  
and in the presence of the great they are admired.

The Lord created medicines out of the earth,  
and the sensible will not despise them.

And he gave skill to human beings  
that he might be glorified in his marvelous works.

By them the physician heals and takes away pain;  
the pharmacist makes a mixture from them.

God’s works will never be finished;  
and from him health spreads over all the earth.

My child, when you are ill, do not delay,  
but pray to the Lord, and he will heal you.

Give up your faults and direct your hands rightly,  
and cleanse your heart from all sin.

Then give the physician his place, for the Lord created him;  
do not let him leave you, for you need him.

There may come a time when recovery lies in the hands of physicians,  
for they too pray to the Lord

that he grant them success in diagnosis  
and in healing, for the sake of preserving life.

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| **Psalm 147; 1-7**  1 Hallelujah! How good it is to sing praises to our God! \* how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!  2 The Lord rebuilds Jerusalem; \* he gathers the exiles of Israel.  3 He heals the brokenhearted \* and binds up their wounds. | 4 He counts the number of the stars \* and calls them all by their names.  5 Great is our Lord and mighty in power; \* there is no limit to his wisdom.  6 The Lord lifts up the lowly, \* but casts the wicked to the ground.  7 Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; \* make music to our God upon the harp. |

**2 Timothy 4:5-13**

As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

Do your best to come to me soon, for Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica; Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. Only Luke is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is useful in my ministry. I have sent Tychicus to Ephesus. When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments.

Sequence Song

**Holy Gospel According to Luke 4:14-21**

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,  
because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives  
and recovery of sight to the blind,  
to let the oppressed go free,

to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.”

SERMON The Rev. Polly Robb

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| **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.**  **Who with the Father and the Son is**  **worshiped and glorified. Who 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.** |

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Form IV

Leader: Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

*Leader:* Lord, in your mercy  
***People:* Hear our prayer.**

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

*Leader:* Lord, in your mercy  
***People:* Hear our prayer.**

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

*Leader:* Lord, in your mercy  
***People:* Hear our prayer.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

*Leader:* Lord, in your mercy  
***People:* Hear our prayer.**  
Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

*Leader:* Lord, in your mercy  
***People:* Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Leader:* *Lord, in your mercy****People:* Hear our prayer.**

THE CONFESSION

**Most merciful God, 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 neighbors 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.**

THE ABSOLUTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**HOLY COMMUNION**

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

***People* We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

***People* It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

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.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of 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 Savior 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 before he died for us, 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and 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, O 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 may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of 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 him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. ***AMEN****.*

THE LORD’S PRAYER

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION

A PRAYER OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION for all those unable to be present: I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

**Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us**

**as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,**

**and you have fed us with spiritual food**

**in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,**

**and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you**

**with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

###### BLESSING and DISMISSAL

THE PEACE