

Prelude Ricercar by A. Gabrieli

Tolling of the Bell & Welcome

Standing, sung by all

Opening Hymn What a Friend We Have in Jesus

What a friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry Everything to God in prayer!
Oh, what peace we often forfeit, Oh, what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry Everything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged, Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness, Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy laden, Cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge, Take it to the Lord in Prayer.
Do thy friends despise forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer.
In his arms He'll take a shield thee, Thou wilt find a solace there.

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Collect for Purity

Confession of Sin

Kneeling, BCP p.360

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.

Absolution

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

Lesson Genesis 45:3-11, 15

Seated

Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there--since there are five more years of famine to come--so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.'" And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 37:1-12 *Noli aemulari*

- 1 Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; *
do not be jealous of those who do wrong.
- 2 For they shall soon wither like the grass, *
and like the green grass fade away.
- 3 Put your trust in the LORD and do good; *
dwell in the land and feed on its riches.
- 4 Take delight in the LORD, *
and he shall give you your heart's desire.
- 5 Commit your way to the LORD and put your trust in him, *
and he will bring it to pass.
- 6 He will make your righteousness as clear as the light *
and your just dealing as the noonday.
- 7 Be still before the LORD *
and wait patiently for him.
- 8 Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers, *
the one who succeeds in evil schemes.
- 9 Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; *
do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil.
- 10 For evildoers shall be cut off, *
but those who wait upon the LORD shall possess the land.
- 11 In a little while the wicked shall be no more; *
you shall search out their place, but they will not be there.
- 12 But the lowly shall possess the land; *
they will delight in abundance of peace.

All **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.**

Standing, sung by all

Gradual Hymn #204 vv. 1-2 Now the green blade riseth

Gospel Luke 6:27-38

Minister The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

Jesus said, "I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you. "If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. "Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

Minister The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sermon The Rev. Dr. Calvin Lane

Seated

The Nicene Creed

Standing, BCP p.358

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

Standing

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. We pray for the Universal Church, its members, and its mission.

We pray for our Nation and all in authority.

We pray for the welfare of the world, and those regions troubled by violence or unrest, especially those we name at this time...

The People may add their own petitions, see list on p. 7

We pray for the needs and concerns of our local community.

We pray for all who are in need of healing or comfort, especially those we name at this time...

The People may add their own petitions, see list on p. 7

We give thanks especially for those who are celebrating birthdays and anniversaries and other thanksgivings we name at this time...

The People may add their own thanksgivings, see list on p. 7

We remember those who have died in the faith.

We pray for the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Announcements

Offertory Music

The Offering *You may give your offering in the plates passed by the ushers or give online stgeorgesdayton.org or mail offerings, 5520 Far Hills Ave. Dayton, OH 45429-2204.*

Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer C) *BCP p. 369* *Standing*

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.**

Celebrant God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People **Glorify to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People **By your will they were created and have their being.**

Celebrant From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Celebrant Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People **By his blood, he reconciled us.**

By his wounds, we are healed.

Celebrant In the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Standing, sung by all

Hymnal S129 Sanctus “S” denotes “Service Music” section

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.

Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer...

... Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving

People **We celebrate his death and resurrection,
as we await the day of his coming.**

Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer...

... Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Celebrant concludes the prayer. The people join, Amen.

Celebrant and People **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 Breaking of the Bread & Invitation to Communion

Celebrant O Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,

People **Have mercy upon us.**

Celebrant O Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,

People **Have mercy upon us.**

Celebrant O Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,

People **Grant us your peace.**

Directions for receiving Communion

- All Baptized Christians are welcome to receive; if you have not been baptized, you are welcome to cross your arms for a blessing.
- Gluten-free wafers are available, please indicate your need when receiving.
- If you prefer to intinct (dip) your wafer instead of drinking from the chalice, lay ministers with small intinction cups will be available on both sides. The larger chalices are only for drinking.
- If you prefer to receive only the wafer, please pass the lay ministers and return directly to your pew.

Communion Music Worthy of it all

Prayer after Communion

Kneeling, BCP p.366

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn #304 vv. 1-3 I come with joy

Standing, sung by all

Dismissal

Minister says a dismissal

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude Toccata by O. Gibbons

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The Weekly Messenger



THANK YOU TO OUR USHERS!

We are grateful for the dedication and warm hospitality of our ushers, who serve our church faithfully each week. Please join us for coffee hour following the service to express your appreciation and thank them in person!

ASH WEDNESDAY (March 5)

Services will be held at noon and 7pm. Both services have imposition of ashes, Holy Communion, and music. The noon service will be less than hour & the choir will be singing at the 7pm service.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOR LENT



On Wednesdays during Lent at noon, we will offer the Stations of the Cross, a 20-minute devotional which imprints Christ's passion on our hearts. You are welcome to bring a packed lunch and stay for fellowship afterwards.

OUTREACH UPDATE—COM will be collecting items again today between 9am—noon due to last Sunday's weather. Also, mark your calendars for March 16—our St. Vincent DePaul Bag Lunch Event. We will need volunteers to assemble lunches & volunteers to bake cookies. Signups will be in the Welcome Lounge starting March 2. See Julie Powers for more info.

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekly Income \$6,515.96 Weekly Expenses \$19,647.41
Year to Date Income \$107,439.95 Year to Date Expenses \$105,890.72

FOR PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Prayers for
Regions

Afghanistan, Congo, China, Haiti, Iran, Myanmar, Nigeria, Russia, Sudan, Syria, Venezuela, and Yemen. For the Israel-Gaza war, and the war in Ukraine. For those affected by flooding in Kentucky, hurricane damage in North Carolina, and fires in California.



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