

*Before the service, talk to God. During the service, let God talk to you.
After the service, talk to one another.*

**St. Matthew's Episcopal Cathedral
Laramie, Wyoming**

*In Christ we grow in faith, respond through action, and
embrace all people.*

**The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost
October 24, 2021**

Prelude **Valentina Gavrilova**

Processional **"Lift up your heads"** **Hymnal 436**

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

**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.**

A Song of Praise **Hymnal S-236**

The Collect of the Day

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

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith,
hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make
us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives
and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

The First Lesson - Jeremiah 31:7-9

Thus says the LORD: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob,
and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise,
and say, "Save, O Lord, your people, the remnant of Israel." See, I am
going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from
the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame,
those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they
shall return here. With weeping they shall come, and with
consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of
water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have
become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 126

When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, *
then were we like those who dream.
Then was our mouth filled with laughter, *
and our tongue with shouts of joy.
Then they said among the nations, *
"The LORD has done great things for them."
The LORD has done great things for us, *
and we are glad indeed.
Restore our fortunes, O LORD, *
like the watercourses of the Negev.
Those who sowed with tears *
will reap with songs of joy.
Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, *
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

The Second Lesson – Hebrews 7:23-28

The former priests were many in number, because they were
prevented by death from continuing in office; but Jesus holds
his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever.
Consequently he is able for all time to save those who
approach God through him, since he always lives to make
intercession for them. For it was fitting that we should have
such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from
sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high
priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first
for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did
once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as
high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word
of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son
who has been made perfect forever.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Special Music "On Eagle's Wings" by Michael Joncas
Sung by Katie Williams

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord
Who abide in His shadow for life
Say to the Lord, "My Refuge
My Rock in Whom I trust."

[Refrain]
And He will raise you up on eagle's wings
Bear you on the breath of dawn
Make you to shine like the sun
And hold you in the palm of His Hand

The snare of the fowler
will never capture you,
And famine will bring you no fear:
Under his wings your refuge,
his faithfulness your shield.

You need not fear the terror of the night
Nor the arrow that flies by day
Though thousands fall about you,
Near you it shall not come.

For to His angels He's given a command
To guard you in all of your ways:
Upon their hands they will bear you up,
Lest you dash your foot against a stone.

The Holy Gospel

Gospeler The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Mark 10:46-52

Jesus and his disciples came to Jericho. As he and his
disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of
Timaueus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard
that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus,
Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be
quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy
on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called
the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you."
So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then
Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind
man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him,
"Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his
sight and followed him on the way.

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon

The Rev. Canon Paul Mottl

The Nicene Creed

**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.**

Prayers of the People

We humbly bring our prayers before you and ask you to make of us what you created us to be; faithful followers, vessels of your love. We praise you, and we bless you. **O Lord, hear our prayer.**

We offer our prayers of gratitude for all you are and all you have done for us. Work through us, O God, and increase in us faith, hope, and charity. We praise you, and we bless you. **O Lord, hear our prayer.**

We hear you calling us, your church, to get up and keep moving. Expand our vision of your mission in the world, and don't let fear of discomfort hold us back. We pray for all who follow you, for those who bear the joys and burdens of leadership, for those who are crying out for more of you. We praise you, and we bless you. **O Lord, hear our prayer.**

We thank you for the freedoms and abundance many of us enjoy in this land. May we not take them for granted and keep them to ourselves. Give us courage to participate in civic life and to speak up for those values you have instilled in us for the good of all people. We pray for wisdom for our president, the Congress, and courts of this land. May they conduct themselves with integrity. **O Lord, hear our prayer.**

We lift to your presence those who are in the throes of physical pain or anxiety, difficult relationships and the weight of financial insecurity. Be their hope and their strength. Make them whole. We pray today for Mary, Char, Mei, Rosemary, Carol, Kelly, Deb, Helene, Brian M, Tiffany, Barbara, Christopher, Dan, Tuller, Holly, Nina, Brad, Mel, Geoff, Judith, and _____. We praise you, and we bless you. **O Lord, hear our prayers.**

We praise you for the lives of those who have gone before us and now have come to eternal joys and unending glory with you and the host of heaven. We pray for those who have died, _____. We praise you, and we bless you. **O Lord, hear our prayers.**

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect

The Confession of Sin

BCP 360

Officiant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

Officiant: 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 *All stand*

The Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn

“My song is love unknown”

Hymnal 458

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Presentation Hymn

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, all creatures here below
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost**

This is the Lord's table where ALL are welcome.

If you would prefer to receive a blessing rather than communion, please come forward and cross your arms over your chest. If you do not wish to receive wine please know that receiving only the bread is still a full communion

The Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer B

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. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations. 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:

Celebrant and People

Hymnal S125

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of, full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.
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,
**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.**

And now 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.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

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.

Blessing

Recessional Hymn “Hail to the Lord's anointed” Hymnal 616

The Dismissal

Postlude

Valentina Gavrilova

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