**THE WORD OF GOD**

The opening music offers a time for prayer and meditation. Please silence all devices.

**OPENING ACCLAMATION AND RESPONSE**

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

**HYMNAL #488**

Be Thou My Vision

**COLLECT FOR PURITY** (said by all)

All 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 from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts.

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Grant that we may run without stumbling to obtain your heavenly promises; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

Robert Powell

**COLLECT OF THE DAY**

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

Almighty and merciful God, it is only by your gift that your faithful people offer you true and laudable service: Grant that we may run without stumbling to obtain your heavenly promises; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

**FIRST READING** Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4 (pew Bible, p. 856)

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

**SECOND READING** 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12 (pew Bible, p. 1080)

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

**ICICLE**

| Choir | (sung by all) |
| Reader | The Word of the Lord. |
| People | Thanks be to God. |

**COLLECT FOR Pentecost 25**

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

**PSALM 119:137-144**

(cebf, p. 856)

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life, through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit grant you that peace which the world cannot give, that you may be so filled with your Holy Spirit that, seeking your glory, they may minister your Word with steadfast devotion, through Christ Jesus Our Lord. Amen. (Collect for St. John's)

**PRAIRES OF THE PEOPLE**

Reader Lord, in your mercy,
People Hear our prayer.

Reader Gracious God:
All By your love you have called us to proclaim with joy the good news of your Son: So build us up in the knowledge and love of Him, that we may welcome all people into this community of faith, and show forth our service to you in our service to others; through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

**THE COMMISIONING**

Deacon Let us pray.

People There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit, and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord;

Celebrant Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly;

People and there are varieties of working, but it is the same God who inspires them all in everyone.

Celebrant Look with favor upon those whom you have called, O Lord,
People to assist families who are establishing their homes anew; and grant that they may be so filled with your Holy Spirit that, seeking your glory, they may minister your Word with steadfast devotion, through Christ our Savior.

People Amen.

**COMMUNION**

Those who work with Hearts to Homes are invited to come forward.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.


Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**SERMON**

A period of silence is observed following the sermon.

**NICE CREED**

Book of Common Prayer, p. 358 standing or kneeling

**PENG OLY - MUS IC**

And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

**BLESSED SACRAMENT OFFERING**

**RESPECT FA THER- S ON**

**CONSECRATION**

Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly; and in your heart root and establish it, that you may receive the Holy Communion with understanding and thanksgiving, and with your whole heart give glory to God. Amen.

**PERCESSION**

**PRAISE TO YOU, L ORD CH RIST**

Luke 19:1-10 (pew Bible, p. 958)

**LET US CONFESSION**

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People Amen.
Celebrant Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; ... Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father... All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

People Amen.

LORD’S PRAYER

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All 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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER said by all, kneeling or standing

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.

Post Communion Prayer

HYMNAL #470 There’s a Wideness In God’s Mercy BEECHER

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Deacon Our worship here is ended; now let our service begin.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY

Rufus W. Johnson You are invited to listen to the voluntary in the choir stalls.

ALTAR FLOWERS


ASSISTING IN THE SERVICE

Celebrant The Reverend Jered Weber-Johnson

Assisting Priest The Reverend Kate Bradtmiller

Deacon & Preacher The Reverend Margaret Thor

Altar Guild Dusty Mats, Philip Baird, Shirley Cooper, Phyllis Frisby, Patty Byrne Pfalz, Bill Sherley

Adult Choir Jayson R. Engquist, Director of Music & Organist

Acolytes Matt Brooks, Madeline Jacobs, Will Rinkoff, Eli Weinkauf

readers Chris Matter, Allen Drew

Verger Keith Davis

Ushears & Greeters Sally Sand, George Kinkead, Jeff & Peggy Olsen, Jennifer Kinkead, Jennifer Frost-Rosendal & Peter Rosendal

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