

St. Clement's Episcopal Church
Thanksgiving Day

Holy Eucharist

November 27, 2008

Harpsichord Prelude

Toccata No. 10 in F Major
Emma Gavenda, harpsichord

Johann J. Froberger

Processional Hymn 290

Come, ye thankful people, come

St. George's, Windsor

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

The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Summary of the Law

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Gloria in excelsis Deo, S-204

Scottish

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and gracious Father, we give thee thanks for the fruits of the earth in their season and for the labors of those who harvest them. Make us, we beseech thee, faithful stewards of thy great bounty, for the provision of our necessities and the relief of all who are in need, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The First Reading: Deuteronomy 8:7-18

All sit.

For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, a land where you may

eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper.

You shall eat your fill and bless the Lord your God for the good land that he has given you. Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God, by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes, which I am commanding you today. When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid wasteland with poisonous snakes and scorpions.

He made water flow for you from flint rock, and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you, and in the end to do you good. Do not say to yourself, "My power and the might of my own hand have gotten me this wealth." But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today.

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

Psalm 65

- 1 You are to be praised, O God, in *Zion*;
to you shall vows be performed in *Jerusalem*.
- 2 To you that hear prayer shall all flesh *come*,
because of their *transgressions*.
- 3 Our sins are stronger than *we are*,
but you will blot them *out*.
- 4 Happy are they whom you choose and draw to your courts to *dwell there!*
they will be satisfied by the beauty of your house, by the holiness of your *temple*.
- 5 Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness, O God of our *salvation*,
O Hope of all the ends of the earth and of the seas that are far away.
- 6 You make fast the mountains by your *power*;
they are girded about with *might*.
- 7 You still the roaring of the *seas*,
the roaring of their waves, and the clamor of the *peoples*.
- 8 Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will tremble at your marvelous *signs*;
you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for *joy*.
- 9 You visit the earth and water it abundantly; you make it very *plenteous*;
the river of God is full of *water*.
- 10 You prepare the *grain*,
for so you provide for the *earth*.

- 11 You drench the furrows and smooth out the *ridges*;
with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its *increase*.
- 12 You crown the year with your *goodness*,
and your paths overflow with *plenty*.
- 13 May the fields of the wilderness be rich for *grazing*,
and the hills be clothed with *joy*.
- 14 May the meadows cover themselves with flocks,
and the valleys cloak themselves with *grain*;
let them shout for joy and *sing*.

The Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work.

As it is written, “He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures forever.” He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

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

Gradual Hymn 433 We gather together to ask the Lord’s blessing *Kremser*

The Holy Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People Glory be to thee, O Lord. (*sung*)

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” When he saw them, he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus’ feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, “Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and

give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ. (*sung*)

The Sermon

The Rev. Bruce D. O'Neill

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of his Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered and was buried;
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,
and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father;
and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead;
whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life,
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified;
who spake by the prophets.

And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church;
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins;
and I look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

A Litany of Thanksgiving

Let us give thanks to God our Father for all his gifts so freely bestowed upon us.

For the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth and sky and sea.

We thank you, Lord.

For all that is gracious in the lives of men and women, revealing the image of Christ,

We thank you, Lord.

For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, and our friends,

We thank you, Lord.

For minds to think, and hearts to love, and hands to serve,

We thank you, Lord.

For health and strength to work, and leisure to rest and play,

We thank you, Lord.

For the brave and courageous, who are patient in suffering and faithful in adversity,

We thank you, Lord.

For all valiant seekers after truth, liberty, and justice,

We thank you, Lord.

For the communion of saints, in all times and places,

We thank you, Lord.

Above all, we give you thanks for the great mercies and promises given to us in Christ Jesus our Lord;

To him be praise and glory, with you, O Father, and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

Confession of Sin

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men:
We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness,
which we from time to time most grievously have committed,
by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty,
provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.

We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings;
the remembrance of them is grievous unto us; the burden of them is intolerable.

Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Absolution and Comfortable Words

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The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Birthday Prayer

Watch over thy children, O Lord, as their days increase;
bless and guide them wherever they may be, keeping them unspotted from the world.
Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful;
raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may thy peace which passeth understanding
abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Anniversary Prayer

O God, who hast so consecrated the state of Matrimony
that in it is represented the spiritual marriage and unity between Christ and his Church;
look mercifully upon these thy servants, that they may love, honour, and cherish each other,
and so live together in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness,
that their home may be a haven of blessing and of peace;
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee
and the Holy Spirit ever, one God, world without end. Amen.

Announcements

Offertory Anthem

Now Thank We All Our God
Youth & Adult Choirs

Johann Sebastian Bach

Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done, in whom his world rejoices.
Who from our mother's arms hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

Presentation Hymn 705

As those of old their first fruits brought

Forest Green

*After the ushers present the offering, please bring your food gifts
forward to the altar during the singing of the Presentation Hymn.*

The Great Thanksgiving

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

Celebrant

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places,
give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

For with thy co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, thou art one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Substance; and we celebrate the one and equal glory of thee, O Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Sanctus, S-129

Robert Powell

Celebrant All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create...
By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost
all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

People AMEN.

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

The Lord's Prayer

People and Celebrant

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.

Fraction Anthem

O Happy, Holy Portion melody, Hans Leo Hassler
Youth & Adult Choirs setting, Johann Sebastian Bach
Emma Gavenda, flute text, St. Bernard of Cluny

O happy, holy portion, refection for the blest,
true vision of true beauty, true cure of the distressed!
Strive, man, to win that glory; toil, man to gain that light;
send hope before to grasp it, till hope be lost in sight.

Prayer of Humble Access

Celebrant and People

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies.
We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table.
But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy.
Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ,
and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*At St. Clement's all who seek Christ are invited to receive communion.
Please come forward when the ushers guide you and fill in at the first
available place at the altar rail, either kneeling or standing.*

Communion Anthem

*My Inmost Heart Now Raises
Youth & Adult Choirs*

harmonization
by J. S. Bach

My inmost heart now raises, in this fair morning hour,
A song of thankful praises to thine almighty power.
O God, upon thy throne! To honor and adore thee,
I bring my praise before thee, through Christ, thine only Son.

My life, my soul defend them! My wife, child, goods, and home,
To thy hand I commend them, from thee my blessings come;
Thy bounteous hand bestows my household and my treasures,
My parents, friends, and pleasure; my cup with good o'erflows.

Communion Hymn 288

Praise to God, immortal praise

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Postcommunion Prayer

People and Celebrant

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee,
for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries,
with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood
of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ;
and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us;
and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son,
the blessed company of all faithful people;
and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom.

And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father,
so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship,
and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost,
be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

Blessing

Recessional Hymn 405

All things bright and beautiful

Royal Oak

Dismissal

People Thanks be to God.

Organ Postlude

Fugue in G Major

Johann Sebastian Bach