



PROVIDENCE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

PENTECOST SUNDAY MAY 31ST, 2020

Call to Worship

THE BOOK OF PSALMS

95 Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

² Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;

let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

³ For the LORD is a great God,

and a great King above all gods.

⁶ Oh come, let us worship and bow down;

let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

⁷ For he is our God,

and we are the people of his pasture,

and the sheep of his hand.

☩ **VERSICLE** ☩ Lord, open our lips.

☩ **RESPONSE** ☩ **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

☩ The Lord is full of compassion and mercy.

☩ **Come let us adore Him. He is risen, He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Salutation

PHILIPPIANS 1

² Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, on this day, through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, you revealed the way of eternal life to every race and nation: Pour out this gift anew, that by the preaching of the Gospel your salvation may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Hymn of Praise

#181 NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD

1. Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,
2. O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
3. All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,

who wondrous things has done, in whom his world rejoices;
with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
the Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven—

who from our mothers' arms has blessed us on our way
and keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed,
the one eternal God, whom earth and heaven adore;

with countless gifts of love, and still is ours to-day.
and free us from all ills in this world and the next.
for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

Martin Rinkart, 1636
tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1858

NUN DANKET 6.7.6.7.6.6.6.
Johann Crüger, 1647

GOD CLEANSSES US

Reading of God's Law

☩ VERSICLE
☩ RESPONSE

☩ Hear now the covenant of your God, which He has commanded you to keep saying, "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage." You shall have no other gods before Me.

☩ **You shall not make for yourself an idol.**

☩ You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain.

☩ **Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.**

☩ Honor your father and your mother.

☩ **You shall not murder.**

☩ You shall not commit adultery.

☩ **You shall not steal**

☩ You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

☩ **You shall not covet.**

☩ Have you fully obeyed the LORD in all that He has commanded? Have you loved the LORD with all your heart, soul, mind and strength, and your neighbor as yourself?

☩ **No, but we have sinned in thought, in word, and in deed.**

☩ Then confess your sins to the LORD, for with Him there is mercy and abundant redemption.

Confession of Sin

IN UNISON

Most holy and merciful Father, we confess to you that we have sinned against you by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength;

we have not fully loved our neighbors as ourselves;

we have not always had in us the mind of Christ.

You alone know how often we have grieved you

by wasting your gifts, by wandering from your ways, by forgetting your love.

Forgive us, we pray, most merciful Father and free us from our sin.

Renew in us the grace and strength of your Holy Spirit,

for the sake of Jesus Christ your Son, our Savior. Amen.

Words of Comfort

ISAIAH 55

⁶ "Seek the LORD while he may be found;

call upon him while he is near;

⁷ let the wicked forsake his way,

and the unrighteous man his thoughts;

let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him,

and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

Hymn of Assurance

#393 SPIRIT OF GOD DWELL THOU WITHIN MY HEART

1. Spir - it of God, dwell thou with - in my heart;
2. I ask no dream, no proph - et ec - sta - sies,
3. Hast thou not bid us love thee, God and King?
4. Teach me to feel that thou art al - ways nigh;
5. Teach me to love thee as thine an - gels love,

wean it from earth, through all its puls - es move;
no sud - den rend - ing of the veil of clay;
• All, all thine own, soul, heart, and strength and mind.
teach me the strug - gles of the soul to bear,
one ho - ly pas - sion fill - ing all my frame;

stoop to my weak - ness, might - y as thou art,
no an - gel vis - i - tant, no o - p'ning skies;
• I see thy cross— there teach my heart to cling:
to check the ris - ing doubt, the reb - el sigh;
the bap - tism of the heav'n - de - scend - ed Dove,

and make me love thee as I ought to love.
but take the dim - ness of my soul a - way.
• O let me seek thee, and O let me find.
teach me the pa - tience of un - an - swered prayer.
my heart an al - tar, and thy love the flame.

George Croly, 1854; alt.

MORECAMBE 10.10.10.
Frederick C. Atkinson, 1870

GOD CONSECRATES US

Old Testament Reading

LEVITICUS 23:15-22

¹⁵ “You shall count seven full weeks from the day after the Sabbath, from the day that you brought the sheaf of the wave offering. ¹⁶ You shall count fifty days to the day after the seventh Sabbath. Then you shall present a grain offering of new grain to the LORD. ¹⁷ You shall bring from your dwelling places two loaves of bread to be waved, made of two tenths of an ephah. They shall be of fine flour, and they shall be baked with leaven, as firstfruits to the LORD. ¹⁸ And you shall present with the bread seven lambs a year old without blemish, and one bull from the herd and two rams. They shall be a burnt offering to the LORD, with their grain offering and their drink offerings, a food offering with a pleasing aroma to the LORD. ¹⁹ And you shall offer one male goat for a sin offering, and two male lambs a year old as a sacrifice of peace offerings. ²⁰ And the priest shall wave them with the bread of the firstfruits as a wave offering before the LORD, with the two lambs. They shall be holy to the LORD for the priest. ²¹ And you shall make a proclamation on the same day. You shall hold a holy convocation. You shall not do any ordinary work. It is a statute forever in all your dwelling places throughout your generations. ²² “And when you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap your field right up to its edge, nor shall you gather the gleanings after your harvest. You shall leave them for the poor and for the sojourner: I am the LORD your God.”

Ⲛ VERSICLE Ⲛ The Word of the Lord!
Ⲡ RESPONSE Ⲡ Thanks be to God!

Psalm of Preparation

TUNE #219 #104B (VERSES 12-17)
O WORSHIP
THE KING

12. ²⁴How many your works
which fill all the world,
all creatures you made
in wisdom, O LORD,
²⁵Consider the ocean,
how great and how wide,
where small and great creatures
unnumbered abide!

13. ²⁶Where ships sail the deep,
Leviathans play;
²⁷these all look to you
for food ev’ry day.
²⁸Whatever you give them
they gather for food;
you open your hand and
you fill them with good.

14. ²⁹When you hide your face,
they’re filled with alarm.
³⁰When you take their breath,
to dust they return.
When you send your spirit,
created are they.
The face of the ground you
renew ev’ry day.

15. ³¹O may the LORD’s glo-
-ry evermore stand!
The LORD shall enjoy
the works of his hand.
³²He looks on the earth and
it trembles in fear;
he touches the mountains,
the smoke then appears.

16. ³³As long as I live,
the LORD I will praise;
to God I will sing
through all of my days.
³⁴May my meditation
be pleasing to him;
my heart in the LORD then
with gladness will brim.

17. ³⁵Let wicked ones be
consumed from the earth,
may sinners exist
no longer henceforth.
My soul bless the LORD! May
his name be adored!
O sing Hallelujah!
Give praise to the LORD!

New Testament Reading

ACTS 2:1-21

2 When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. ² And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. ⁴ And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

⁵ Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. ⁶ And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. ⁷ And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? ⁹ Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, ¹¹ both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God." ¹² And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³ But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them: "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. ¹⁵ For these people are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. ¹⁶ But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ " 'And in the last days it shall be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams;

¹⁸ even on my male servants and female servants
in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹ And I will show wonders in the heavens above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke;

²⁰ the sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day.

²¹ And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

☩ VERSICLE ☩ The Word of the Lord!
☩ RESPONSE ☩ **Thanks be to God!**

Homily

MR. JIMMY APODACA

Hymn of Response

#394 ETERNAL SPIRIT, GOD OF TRUTH

1. E - ter - nal Spir - it, God of truth, our con - trite hearts in - spire;
2. Sub - due the pow'r of ev - 'ry sin, what - e'er that sin may be,

ig - nite a flame of heav'n - ly love, and feed the pure de - sire.
that we, in sin - gle - ness of heart, may wor - ship on - ly thee.

'Tis thine to soothe the sor - r'wing mind, with guilt and fear op - pressed;
Then with our spir - it wit - ness bear that we are sons of God,

'tis thine to bid the dy - ing live, and give the wea - ry rest.
re - deemed from sin and death and hell thro' Christ's a - ton - ing blood.

Thomas Cotterill, 1810; alt.

FOREST GREEN C.M.D.
Traditional English melody
arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

Confession of Faith

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IN UNISON **We 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 and for our salvation, came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit 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 is seated at the right hand of the Father;
and he shall come again, with glory, to judge the living and the dead;
whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And we believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and Giver of life;
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified;
who spoke by the prophets.**

THE TERM
"CATHOLIC" IN ITS
HISTORICAL USE
MEANS "UNIVERSAL"

**And we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. *Amen.***

Closing Prayers

- ☩ VERSICLE ☩ O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;
☩ RESPONSE ☩ **And grant us thy salvation.**
- ☩ Endue thy ministers with righteousness;
☩ **And make thy chosen people joyful.**
- ☩ Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
☩ **For only in thee can we live in safety.**
- ☩ Lord, keep this nation under thy care;
☩ **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**
- ☩ Let thy way be known upon earth;
☩ **Thy saving health among all nations.**
- ☩ Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
☩ **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**
- ☩ Create in us clean hearts, O God;
☩ **And sustain us with thy Holy Spirit.**
- ☩ We pray now, even as our LORD has taught us;

IN UNISON **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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

GOD COMMISSIONS US

Departing Words of Comfort

HEBREWS 13

²⁰ Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, ²¹ equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. *Amen.*