

ST PAUL'S ELKINS PARK

An Inclusive Multicultural Episcopal Church



The Last Sunday of Pentecost
Christ the King
November 21, 2021 10:00 am

The Rev. Paul DeWitt Reid

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Service of Holy Eucharist

The Rev. Paul DeWitt Reid, Rector
The Rev. Simpson Coriolan, Priest Associate
David Antony Lofton, Music Director
Tessika McClendon, soprano, St. Paul's Music Minister
Shango-Jamal Lewis, baritone, St. Paul's Music Minister

The Ministry of the Word

Prelude: *Nocturne in g minor* by Frédéric Chopin

Words of Welcome

Opening Hymn (*Please Stand*)

Lo He comes with clouds descending

Blue Hymnal #57

vs. 1 & 4

Join our soloist and sing along at home!

Lo! He comes with clouds descending,
Once for our salvationslain;
Thousand thousand saints attending,
Swell the triumph of His train:
Alleluia, Alleluia!
Christ the Lord returns tgo reign to reign.

Yea, Amen! Let all adore Thee,
High on Thine eternal throne;
Savior, take the power and glory,
Claim the kingdom for Thine own;
Alleluia, Alleluia!
Thou shall reign and Thou alone

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Blessed be the Lord Our God.

People **For ever and ever. Alleluia.**

Hymn of Praise

Immortal, invisible, God only wise

Join our soloist and sing along at home!

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.

Thou reignest in Glory, thou rulest in Light
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;
All laud we would render, O help us to see:
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee.

Blue Hymnal #423

vs. 1 & 4

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says

The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The First Lesson

A Reading from Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

As I watched,
thrones were set in place,
and an Ancient One took his throne,
his clothing was white as snow,
and the hair of his head like pure wool;
his throne was fiery flames,
and its wheels were burning fire.
A stream of fire issued
and flowed out from his presence.
A thousand thousands served him,
and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him.
The court sat in judgment,
and the books were opened.
As I watched in the night visions,

I saw one like a human being
coming with the clouds of heaven.
And he came to the Ancient One
and was presented before him.
To him was given dominion
and glory and kingship,
that all peoples, nations, and languages
should serve him.
His dominion is an everlasting dominion
that shall not pass away,
and his kingship is one
that shall never be destroyed.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 93

The Lord is King; he has put on splendid apparel; *
the Lord has put on his apparel and girded himself with strength.
He has made the whole world so sure *
that it cannot be moved;
Ever since the world began, your throne has been established; *
you are from everlasting.
The waters have lifted up, O Lord, the waters have lifted up their voice; *
the waters have lifted up their pounding waves.
Mightier than the sound of many waters, mightier than the breakers of the sea, *
mightier is the Lord who dwells on high.
Your testimonies are very sure, *
and holiness adorns your house, O Lord, for ever and for evermore.

The Second Lesson

A Reading from Revelation 1:4b-8

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds;
every eye will see him,
even those who pierced him;

and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Hymn

Ride On King Jesus

Lift Every Voice 97

Join our soloists and sing along at home!

[Refrain]

Ride on King Jesus

No man can a-hinder me

Ride on King Jesus, ride on

No man can a-hinder me

King Jesus rides a milk white horse

No man works like him

The River Jordan he did cross

No man works like him. Oh!

[Refrain]

I know that my Redeemer lives

No man works like him

And of his blessing freely gives

No man works like him. Oh!

[Refrain]

The Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **John 18:33-37**

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

Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, “Are you the King of the Jews?” Jesus answered, “Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?” Pilate replied, “I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?” Jesus answered, “My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.” Pilate asked him, “So you are a king?” Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.” Pilate asked him, ‘What is truth?’

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

The Homily The Rev. Paul DeWitt Reid

The Affirmation of our Trust in all that is Holy

You, O God, are supreme and holy.
You create our world and give us life.
Your purpose overarches everything we do.
You have always been with us.
You are God.
You, O God, are infinitely generous,
good beyond all measure.
You came to us before we came to you.
You have revealed and proved
your love for us in Jesus Christ,
who lived and died and rose again.
You are with us now.
You are God.
You, O God, are Holy Spirit.
You empower us to be your gospel in the world.
You reconcile and heal; you overcame death.
You are God. We worship you.

Taken from the New Zealand Prayerbook

The Prayers of the People *(Form 3)*

The Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

We pray for all who have died.

(Please pray for those who have died.)

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, either silently or aloud.

Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask, help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Words of Welcome, Announcements & Blessings

The Ministry of Holy Communion

The Celebrant invites our offerings to God.

The Offering of Music

My Jesus, I Love Thee by William R. Featherstonove

Shango-Jamal Lewis, baritone

The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Blue Hymnal #380

verse 3 only

The Great Thanksgiving

Enriching Our Worship - Eucharistic Prayer I

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 our thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant continues

It is truly right, and good and joyful,
to give you thanks, all-holy God,
source of life and fountain of mercy.
You have filled us and all creation with your blessing
and fed us with your constant love;
you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ
and knit us into one body.
Through your Spirit you replenish us
and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels
and with the faithful of every generation,
we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Celebrant and People **Blue Hymnal #S130**
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.
heaven and earth are full; full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant
Blessed are you, gracious God,
creator of the universe and giver of life.
You formed us in your own image
and called us to dwell in your infinite love.
You gave the world into our care
that we might be your faithful stewards.

But we failed to honor your image
in one another and in ourselves;

we would not see your goodness in the world around us;
and so we violated your creation,
abused one another,
and rejected your love.
Yet you never ceased to care for us,
and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah
you called us into covenant with you.
You delivered us from slavery,
sustained us in the wilderness,
and raised up prophets
to renew your promise of salvation.
Then, in the fullness of time,
you sent your eternal Word,
made mortal flesh in Jesus.
Born into the human family,
and dwelling among us,
he revealed your glory.
Giving himself freely to death on the cross,
he triumphed over evil,
opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."
As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out in forgiveness. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again;

The Celebrant continues

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with St. Paul and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name forever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

The Lord's Prayer

And now, let us join hands as we say

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.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

*People We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread
and the one cup.*

Agnus Dei

Blue Hymnal #S164

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: grant us peace.

The Celebrant invites the People.

The Gifts of God for the People of God. All are welcome at the Lord's Table.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [*Amen.*]

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [*Amen.*]

Post Communion Prayer (*Please Stand*)

Let us pray

God of abundance, you have fed us

with the bread of life and cup of salvation;

you have united us with Christ and one another;

and you have made us one with all your people

in heaven and on earth.

Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,

that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world

and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. *Amen*

The Celebrant Proclaims a Blessing

May the peace of Christ go with you, wherever He may send you.

May He guide you through the wilderness, protect you through the storm.

May He bring you home rejoicing at the wonders He has shown you.

May He bring you home rejoicing once again through these church doors.

And may the blessing of God almighty, Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier,

Be with you this day and forever more.

People: *Amen.*

The Closing Hymn *(Please Stand)*

Blue Hymnal #598

Lord Christ, when first Thou cam'st to earth

Join our soloists and sing along at home!

Lord Christ, when first
thou cam'st to earth,
upon a cross they bound thee,
and mocked thy saving
kingship then by thorns with which
they crowned thee; and still our wrongs
may weave thee now
new thorns to pierce
that steady brow,
and robe of sorrow round thee.

O awful Love,
which found no room in life
where sin denied thee,
and, doomed to death,
must bring to doom
the powers which crucified thee,
till not a stone was left on stone,
and all those nations' pride,
o'er thrown, went down
to dust beside thee!

New advent of the love of Christ,
shall we again refuse thee,
till in the night of hate and war
we perish as we lose thee?

From old unfaith our souls release
to seek the kingdom of thy peace,
by which alone we choose thee.

O wounded hands of Jesus,
build in us thy new creation;
our pride is dust,
our vaunt is stilled,
we wait thy revelation:
O love that triumphs over loss,
we bring our hearts
before thy cross,
to finish thy salvation.

The Celebrant dismisses the people with these words

Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia,
Alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Postlude: *Grand Jeu* by Jean-Claude Daquin

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