

THE 10 AM SERVICE

ST. MARK'S IN-THE VALLEY

MAY 30, 2021, 1ST SUNDAY AFT. PENTECOST: TRINITY SUNDAY
HOLY BAPTISM AND THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude

Opening Acclamation (*standing, as able*)

Leader ✠ Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

All **Glory to God for ever and ever. Amen.**

Leader There is one Body and one Spirit;

All **There is one hope in God's call to us;**

Leader One Savior, one Faith, one Baptism;

All **One God and Creator of all.**

The Collect of the Day

Leader The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Leader Let us pray.

Leader **Enfolding God, Trinity of love, you are our source, our goal, our life: may we be born again in you no more to live alone and disconnected, but sharing in the Spirit's breath and carried to your heart; through Jesus Christ, who lifts us up.**

All **Amen.**

From *Prayers for an Inclusive Church*, Steven Shakespeare

The Readings (*seated*)

First Reading

Isaiah 6:1-8

¹ In the year of the death of Uzziah, ruler of Judah, I saw Yahweh seated on a high and lofty judgment seat, in a robe whose train filled the Temple. ² Seraphs were stationed above; each of them had six wings: with two they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. ³ They would cry out to one another, "Holy! Holy! Holy is God Omnipotent! All the earth is filled with God's glory!" ⁴ The doorposts and thresholds quaked at the sound of their shouting, and the Temple kept filling with smoke. ⁵ Then I said, "Woe is me, I am doomed! I have unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips! And my eyes have seen the Ruler, God Omnipotent!" ⁶ Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding an ember which it had taken with tongs from the altar. ⁷ The seraph touched my mouth with the ember. "See," it said, "now that this has touched your lips, your corruption is removed, and your sin is pardoned." ⁸ Then I heard the voice of the Holy One saying, "Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?" "Here I am," I said, "send me!"

Reader The Word of the Lord

All **Thanks be to God**

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Psalm 29 (*remaining seated, we pray responsively by whole verses*)

Leader ¹ Give glory to God, you heavenly court,
 give God glory and strength!

All ² ***Give forth the glory that God's Name deserves,
 and worship God in the splendor of holiness!***

Leader ³ The voice of God resounds over the waters;
 the God of glory thunders over the raging seas.

All ⁴ ***God's voice is powerful,
 God's voice is full of majesty.***

Leader ⁵ The voice of God snaps the cedars,
 shatters the cedars of Lebanon.

All ⁶ ***It makes Lebanon skip like a calf,
 and Sirion like a young wild ox.***

Leader ⁷ The voice of God strikes with bolts of lightning;

All ⁸ ***the voice of God shakes the wilderness,
 the wilderness of Kadesh.***

Leader ⁹ The voice of God twists the oaks, and strips the forests bare;
 and in God's Temple all cry, "Glory!"

All ¹⁰ ***God sits in judgment over the flood;
 God is its Ruler forever.***

Leader ¹¹ Give strength to your people, O God!
 Bless your people with peace!

The Gospel (*standing, as able*)

John 3:1-17

Reader The ✠ Holy Gospel of our ✠ Savior Jesus Christ ✠ according to John.

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

¹ A certain Pharisee named Nicodemus, a member of the Sanhedrin, ² came to Jesus at night. "Rabbi," he said, "we know you're a teacher come from God, for no one can perform the signs and wonders you do, unless by the power of God."

³ Jesus gave Nicodemus this answer: "The truth of the matter is, unless one is born from above, one cannot see God's dominion."

⁴ Nicodemus said, "How can an adult be born a second time? I can't go back into my mother's womb to be born again!"

⁵ Jesus replied: "The truth of the matter is, no one can enter God's realm without being born of water and the Spirit. ⁶ What is born of the flesh is flesh; what is born of the Spirit is Spirit. ⁷ So don't be surprised when I tell you that you must be born from above. ⁸ The wind blows where it will. You hear the sound it makes, but you don't know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit."

⁹ "How can this be possible?" asked Nicodemus.

¹⁰ Jesus replied, "You're a teacher of Israel, and you still don't understand these matters? ¹¹ "The truth of the matter is, we're talking about what we know; we're testifying about what we've seen—yet you don't accept our testimony. ¹² If you don't believe when I tell you about earthly things, how will you believe when I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³ No one has gone up to heaven except the

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One who came down from heaven—the Chosen One. ¹⁴ As Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so the Chosen One must be lifted up, ¹⁵ so that everyone who believes in the Chosen One might have eternal life.

¹⁶ Yes, God so loved the world as to give the Only Begotten One, that whoever believes may not die, but have eternal life. ¹⁷ God sent the Only Begotten into the world not to condemn the world, but that through the Only Begotten the world might be saved.

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.
All ***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

The Sermon (*seated*)

The Baptismal liturgy today draws from *Accessible Baptismal Texts* found in *Common Worship*, from the Church of England, as well as the *Book of Common Prayer*.

HOLY BAPTISM

Presentation of George Brooks Giebink

GEORGE is the son of MADELINE FIRESTONE GIEBINK and TIM GILBERT GIEBINK; his Sponsors and Godparents are ELIZABETH WORKMAN PULIDO, MATHEW CURTIS FIRESTONE, and WILLIAM LANSING CHAPMAN. He was born in San Francisco on Aug 24, 2020.

Leader Jesus said, ‘Let the children come to me. Do not stop them.’ We thank God for GEORGE BROOKS who has come to be baptized today. Christ loves him and welcomes him as his living body on earth.

Leader addresses the congregation

Leader So I ask you all: Will you support this child on his journey of faith?

All ***We will.***

Leader Will you help him to live and grow within God’s family?

All ***We will.***

Leader then addresses the parents and godparents (sponsors)

Leader God knows each of us by name and we are his. Parents and godparents, you speak for George Brooks today. Will you pray for him, and help him to grow in Christ?

Sponsors *We will.*

The Decision

The Leader addresses the parents and godparents (sponsors)

Leader We all wander far from our awareness of God’s presence, from the wholeness and oneness that God intends for all. Christ in the Holy Spirit constantly reconciles us to God and welcomes us to our true home. In Baptism we respond to this invitation and discover we awaken life-long to the fullness of who we are created to be.

Leader Do you turn away from all that corrupts and destroys the creatures of God?

Sponsors *I do.*

Leader Do you reject all the spiritual forces that rebel against God?

Sponsors *I do.*

Leader Do you turn to Christ as Spiritual Source and Guide?

Sponsors *I do.*

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Leader Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?
Sponsors *I do.*

Thanksgiving Over the Water

Leader Praise God who made heaven and earth,
All ***who keeps his promise for ever.***

Leader Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All ***It is right to give our thanks and praise.***

Leader Loving Creator, we thank you for your servant Moses, who led your people through the waters of the Red Sea to freedom in the Promised Land. We thank you for your Son Jesus, who has passed through the deep waters of death and opened for all the way of life renewed.

Now send your Spirit, that those who are washed in this water may know the liberation of dying with Christ and rising with him, to find true freedom as your children, alive in Christ for ever.

All ***Amen.***

Baptismal Covenant (*standing, as able*)

Leader Let us affirm, together with GEORGE BROOKS who is being baptized, our common faith in Jesus Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

Leader Do you believe and trust in God the Creator, Father and Mother of us all, source of all being and life, the one in whom we exist?

All ***I believe and trust in God the Creator.***

Leader Do you believe and trust in God the Son, who took our human nature, died as one of us and rose again?

All ***I believe and trust in God the Son.***

Leader Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God and makes Christ known in the world?

All ***I believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit.***

Leader This is the faith of the Church.

All ***This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God, Creating Presence, Redeeming Son and Holy, Life-giving Spirit.***

Leader Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

All ***I will, with God's help.***

Leader Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

All ***I will, with God's help.***

Leader Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

All ***I will, with God's help.***

Leader Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

All ***I will, with God's help.***

Leader Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

All ***I will, with God's help.***

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Baptism GEORGE BROOKS GIEBINK

Leader I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
All **Amen.**

Signing with the Cross

The Leader makes the sign of the cross on the forehead of each candidate, saying

Leader GEORGE BROOKS, Christ receives you as his own. Receive the sign of the cross. You are Christ's own forever.

All **Stand bravely in the life of God against all the powers of darkness and death, and remain faithful to the end of your life. May almighty God lead you always in the light and life of Christ. Amen.**

Leader Faithful and loving God, bless those who care for this child and grant them your gifts of love, wisdom and faith. Pour upon them your healing and reconciling love, and protect their homes from danger. Fill them with the light of your presence and establish them in the joy of your dominion, through Jesus Christ our Savior.

All **Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

Leader We thank you, O God, that you receive to yourself those who have been washed in the waters of rebirth. Uphold them in this life, that they may ever remain steadfast in faith, joyful in hope, and rooted in your love.

Creator of life,

All **make known your glory.**

Pour your blessing on all your people. May our hearts ever praise you, and find their perfect rest in you. Grant us the freedom of your service and peace in doing your will.

Redeemer of life,

All **make known your glory.**

The whole creation is filled with the light of your grace. Dispel the darkness of our minds and hearts, forgive our negligence and failure when we miss the mark, as we journey to the light of your glory.

Sanctifier of life,

All **make known your glory.**

The Welcome

Leader There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism: GEORGE BROOKS, by one Spirit, we are all baptized into one body.

All **We welcome you into the community of faith; we are children of the same God; we welcome you to share in Christ's eternal priesthood.**

The Peace (*standing, as able, all are invited to greet one another in the name of the Lord.*)

Leader The peace of Christ be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

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THE HOLY COMMUNION

At the Offertory O Lord our God, you are worthy to receive glory and honor and power; because you have created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being.

Revelation 4:11

Anthem *The Lord is my Shepherd* (Psalm 23)

Howard Goodall

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want,
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures
He leadeth me beside the still waters.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil: For you are with me, you will comfort me.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

NICHOLE DECHAINED, BROOKS AND KATE FIRESTONE AND NATHAN KREITZER, *vocalists*

Prayers for Birthdays and Anniversaries

At the Offertory

Leader Blessed are you, God of all creation; through your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings to love and serve the world.

All ***Blessed be God for ever.***

The Great Thanksgiving (*standing, as able*)

Leader God is here.

All ***God's Spirit is with us.***

Leader Lift up your hearts.

All ***We lift them to God.***

Leader Let us give thanks to God our Savior.

All ***It is right to give our thanks and praise.***

Leader O God, you made the world and love your creation. You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be our Savior. His dying and rising have set us free from sin and death. And so we gladly thank you, with saints and angels praising you, and saying:

All ***Holy, holy, holy: God of mercy, giver of life; earth, sea, sky, and all that lives declare your presence and your glory. Hosanna in the highest.***

We praise and bless you, loving Creator, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we gather at this holy table, send your Holy Spirit, that this broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: Take, eat; this is my body, which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, gave it to them and said: Drink this, all of you: This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Whenever you drink it, do this in the remembrance of me.

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So, Holy One, we remember all that Jesus was and did, in him we embrace with confidence his coming among all of us as one of us, his birth, life, and self-offering upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

*All **Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life; Lord Jesus, come in glory.***

Continue to look with favor on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with Blessed Mark, Blessed Mary of Magdala, Blessed Mary, Mother of Jesus, and all the saints to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God, for ever and ever.

*All **AMEN.***

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.***

The Breaking of the Bread

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

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

Communion is open to everyone.

All who seek God and are drawn to Christ are invited to receive communion here. You are welcome to come forward and take the bread and wine, the body and blood of Christ.

The Invitation *(All are invited to come forward now to receive)*

Leader The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The Communion

At Communion *See This Wonder in the Making*

Music Swedish folk tune, Text Jaroslav Vajda; Setting Carl Schalk

- ¹ See this wonder in the making God himself this child is taking
as a lamb safe in his keeping, His to be, awake or sleeping.
- ² Miracle each time it happens, as the door to heaven opens
and the Father beams: "Beloved, Heir of gifts a king would covet!"
- ³ Far more tender than a mother, far more caring than a father,
God, into your arms we place him, with your love and peace embrace him.
- ⁴ Here we bring a child of nature, home we take a newborn creature,
now God's precious son or daughter, born again by word and water.

NICHOLE DECHAINED *vocalist*

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The Postcommunion Prayer *(standing, as able)*

Leader Let us pray.

All **God of truth, we have seen with our eyes and touched with our hands the bread of life: strengthen our faith that we may grow in love for you and for each other; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Blessing *(standing, as able)*

Leader May we remain open to wonder and mystery, to what is strange and new and precious in each child of God, that with all the saints we might walk in the light of hope; and the ✠ blessing of God Almighty: Creating Presence, Redeeming Christ, and Life-giving Spirit, be with us and remain with us for ever.

All **Amen.**

Dismissal *(standing, as able)*

Leader Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage; hold fast that which is good;

All **render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honor everyone; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Procession Out

Postlude



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