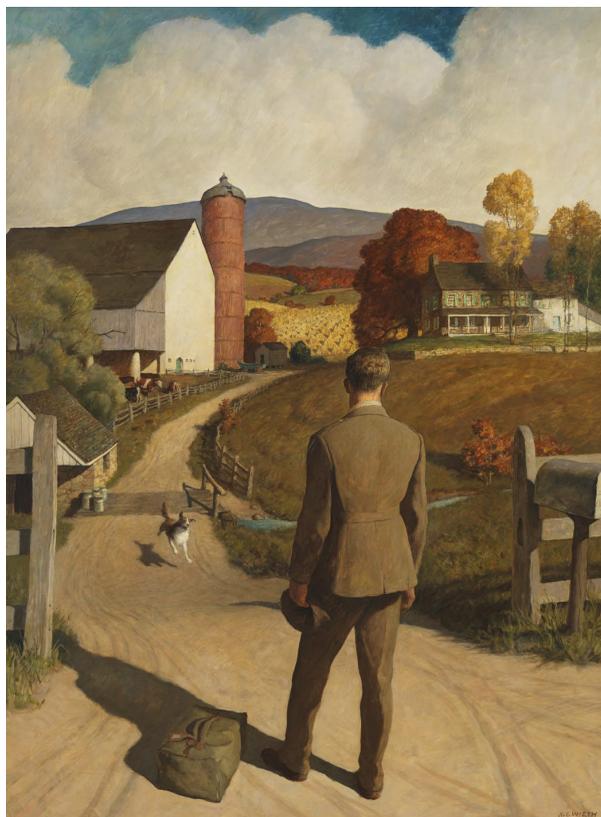


**Holy Eucharist**  
**The Twenty-Fourth Sunday**  
**After Pentecost**

**November 12, 2023—10:00 a.m.**



**Saint Luke's Episcopal Church**  
Los Gatos, California



# The Holy Eucharist

Prelude

*Appalachian Pastorate*

Franklin Ashdown

## Opening Hymn 68

*“Rejoice! rejoice, believers”*



1 Re - joice! re - joice, be - liev - ers, and let your lights ap - pear!  
2 See that your lamps are burn - ing, re - ple-nish them with oil;  
3 Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear;



The eve - ning is ad - vanc - ing, and dark - er night is near.  
look now for your sal - va - tion, the end of sin and toil.  
a - rise, thou Sun so longed for, a - bove this dark - ened sphere!



The Bride - groom is a - ris - ing, and soon he will draw nigh;  
The mar - riage - feast is wait - ing, the gates wide o - pen stand;  
With hearts and hands up - lift - ed, we plead, O Lord, to see



up, watch in ex - pec - ta - tion! at mid - night comes the cry.  
rise up, ye heirs of glo - ry, the Bride - groom is at hand!  
the day of earth's re - demp - tion, and ev - er be with thee!

## Opening Acclamation

*Celebrant*   
Bless - ed be God: Father, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit.

*People*   
And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ev - er. A - men.

## The Collect for Purity

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 you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## The Gloria

*"Gloria in excelsis"*

  
Glo - ry,

  
Glo-ry, hal - le - lu - jah, Lord we praise your Ho - ly name,— Glo-ry,

  
Glo - ry hal - le - lu - jah, Lord we praise your Ho - ly name.—

  
Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.

  
Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we

wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.

Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of

God, Glo-ry, Glo-ry, hal-le-lu-jah, Lord we praise your Ho-ly name,--

Glo-ry, Glo-ry hal-le-lu-jah, Lord we praise your Ho-ly name.--

You take a-way the sin of the world: have

mer-cy on us; you are seat-ed at the right hand of the

Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer. For you a-lone are the

Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,

you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the

Ho - ly Spir - it, In the glo - ry of the Fa - ther. Glo - ry,

Glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah, Lord we praise your Ho - ly name, — Glo - ry,

Glo - ry hal - le - lu - jah, Lord we Praise your Ho - ly

name. A - men.

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## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

# The Liturgy of the Word

## The First Lesson

*Amos 5:18–24*

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

## Psalm 70

- 1        Be pleased, O God, to deliver me; \*  
          O Lord, make haste to help me.
- 2        Let those who seek my life be ashamed  
          and altogether dismayed; \*  
          let those who take pleasure in my misfortune  
          draw back and be disgraced.
- 3        Let those who say to me “Aha!” and gloat over me turn back, \*  
          because they are ashamed.
- 4        Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; \*  
          let those who love your salvation say for ever,  
          “Great is the Lord!”
- 5        But as for me, I am poor and needy; \*  
          come to me speedily, O God.
- 6        You are my helper and my deliverer; \*  
          O Lord, do not tarry.

## The Second Lesson

*1 Thessalonians 4:13–18*

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

# Gospel Hymn 61 (FV)

## "Give me oil in my lamp"



1 Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burn-ing. Give me  
 2 Make me a fish - er of men, keep me seek - ing. Make me a  
 3 Give me joy in my heart, keep me sing - ing. Give me  
 4 Give me love in my heart, keep me serv - ing. Give me



oil in my lamp, I pray. Give me  
 fish - er of men, I pray. Make me a  
 joy in my heart, I pray. Give me  
 love in my heart, I pray. Give me



oil in my lamp, keep me burn - ing, keep me  
 fish - er of men, keep me seek - ing, keep me  
 joy in my heart, keep me sing - ing, keep me  
 love in my heart, keep me serv - ing, keep me



burn - ing 'til the break of day.  
 seek - ing 'til the break of day.  
 sing - ing 'til the break of day.  
 serv - ing 'til the break of day.

### Refrain



Sing ho - san - na, sing ho - san - na,



sing ho - san - na to the King of Kings! King!

Words: Anonymous

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## **The Holy Gospel**

*Clergy*        The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
                 according to Matthew.

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

*Matthew 25:1–13*

*Clergy*        The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## **The Sermon**

The Rev. Ricardo Avila

## **The Nicene Creed**

*Said by all*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven  
and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,  
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the  
Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand  
of the Father.

He will come again in glory, to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father, who with the Father and the Son  
is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the  
Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## **The Prayers of the People**

Form IV

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your  
truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and  
peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its  
resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

*Silence.*

*The People may add their own petitions.*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

## **The Confession of Sin**

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Celebrant and People*

Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

*The Celebrant stands and says*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins  
through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness,  
and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

## **The Peace**

*Celebrant* The peace of Christ be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

## **Welcome and Announcements**

# The Holy Communion

**Offertory Anthem**

*“Better Be Ready”*

Spiritual  
sung by  
St. Luke’s Choir

*Refrain:*

Better be ready; Better be ready;  
Better be ready; Ready to try on your long white robe!

Oh! Rise up children, get your crown,  
And by your Savior’s side sit down.

*Refrain*

What a glorious morning that will be,  
Our friends and Jesus we shall see.

*Refrain*

O shout you Christians, you’re gaining ground,  
We’ll shout old Satan’s kingdom down!

*Refrain*

I soon shall reach that golden shore,  
And sing the songs we sang before.

*Refrain*



## *Celebrant*

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

## **Sanctus**

WLP 785

*Sing first in Spanish, then in English.*

San - to, san - to, san - to, mi cor - a - zon te a - do - ra! Mi  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you! My

cor - a - zon te sa - be de - cir: san - to e - res Se - ñor.  
heart is glad to say the words: you are ho - ly, Lord.

Words: Variation on a traditional liturgical text. Music: Composer of melody unknown; arr. based on a two-part version as taught by Pablo D. Sosa (b. 1933).

## *The Celebrant continues*

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus over to our humanity, through which he entered our life to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and gives himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: “Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: “Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ’s coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we praise you and we bless you:

*Celebrant and People*

**We praise you, we bless you,  
we give thanks to you,  
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

*The Celebrant continues*

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit’s power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with the blessed Virgin Mary, blessed St. Luke, and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

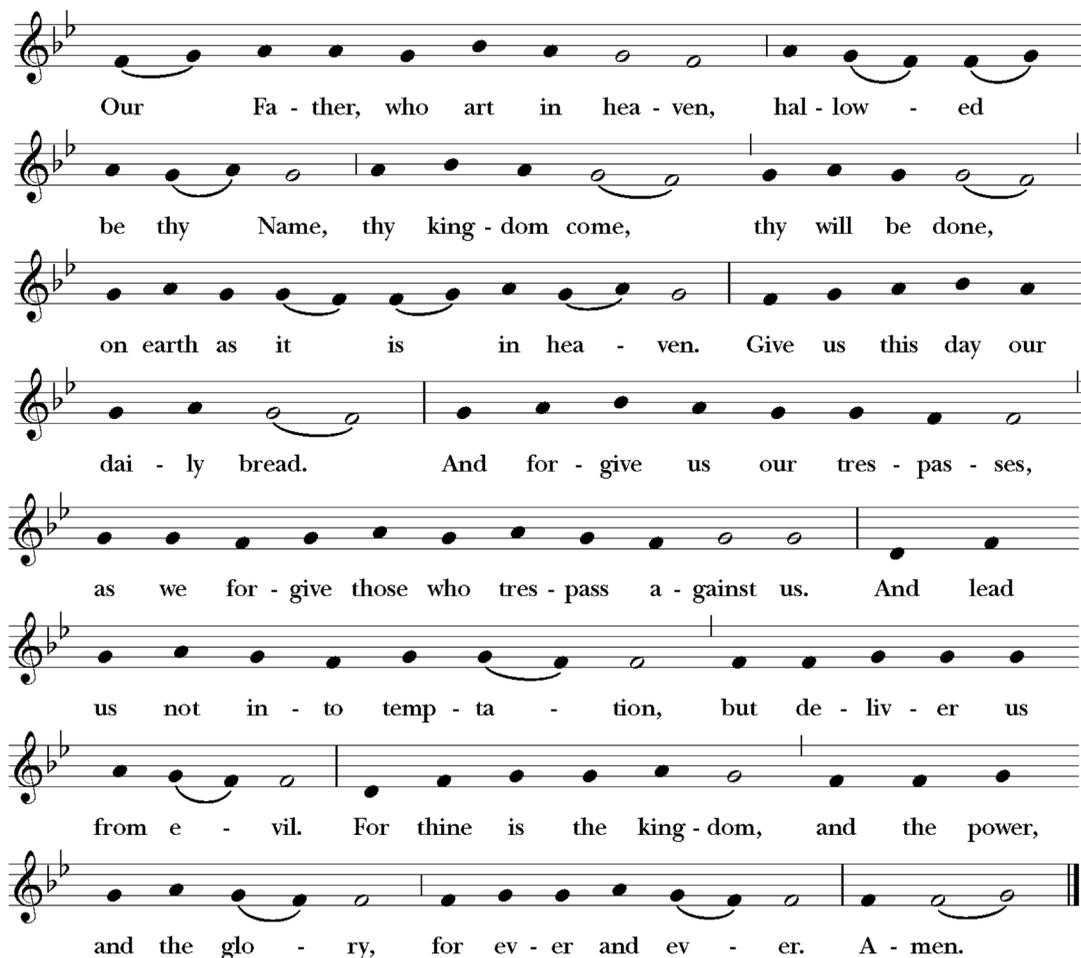
Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

*Celebrant and People*

**Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.**

## The Lord's Prayer

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



Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed  
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our  
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,  
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead  
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us  
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,  
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

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## The 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.

# Communion Hymn 324

“Let all mortal flesh keep silence”



1 Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and  
 2 King of kings, yet born of Ma - ry, as of old on  
 3 Rank on rank the host of hea - ven spreads its van - guard  
 4 At his feet the six - winged ser - aph; cher - u - bim with



trem - bling stand; pon - der noth - ing earth - ly -  
 earth he stood, Lord of lords in hu - man  
 on the way, as the Light of Light de -  
 sleep - less eye veil their fac - es to the



mind - ed, for with bless - ing in his hand  
 ves - ture, in the Bo - dy and the Blood  
 scend - eth from the realms of end - less day,  
 Pres - ence, as with cease - less voice they cry,



Christ our God to earth de - scend - eth,  
 he will give to all the faith - ful  
 that the powers of hell may va - nish  
 “Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!”



our full hom - age to de - mand.  
 his own self for heaven - ly food.  
 as the dark - ness clears a - way.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!”

Words: Liturgy of St. James; para. Gerard Moultrie (1829-1885) Music: Picardy, French carol, 17th cent.; melody from *Chansons populaires des Provinces de France*, 1860; harm. after *The English Hymnal*, 1906

## **Post-Communion Prayer**

*Celebrant*      Let us pray.

*Said by all*

Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

## **The Blessing**

# Closing Hymn 61

*“Sleepers, wake! A voice astounds us”*



1 “Sleep - ers, wake!”      A      voice      a - stounds      us,      the  
 2 Zi - on hears      the      watch - men      sing - ing;      her  
 3 Lamb of God,      the      heavens      a - dore      you;      let



shout of ram - part - guards sur - rounds us: “A -  
 heart with joy - ful hope is spring - ing, she  
 saints and an - gels sing be - fore you, as



wake, Je - ru - sa - lem, a - rise!” Mid - night’s peace their  
 wakes and hur - ries through the night. Forth he comes, her  
 harps and cym - bals swell the sound. Twelve great pearls, the



cry has bro - ken, their ur - gent sum - mons clear - ly spo -  
 Bride-groom glo - rious in strength of grace, in truth vic - to -  
 ci - ty’s por - tals: through them we stream to join the im - mor -



ken:      “The      time      has      come,      O      maid - ens      wise!  
 rious:      her      star      is      risen,      her      light      grows      bright.  
 tals      as      we      with      joy      your      throne      sur - round.

Rise up, and give us light; the Bride - groom is in  
 Now come, most wor - thy Lord, God's Son, In - car - nate  
 No eye has known the sight, no ear heard such de -

sight. Al - le - lu - ia! Your lamps pre - pare and  
 Word, Al - le - lu - ia! We fol - low all and  
 light: Al - le - lu - ia! There - fore we sing to

has - ten there, that you the wed - ding feast may share."  
 heed your call to come in - to the ban - quet hall.  
 greet our King; for ev - er let our prais - es ring.

## Dismissal

*The clergy dismisses the People and they respond*

**Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

*Wachet Auf*

J.S. Bach



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