**GRACE CHURCH IN NEW YORK**
Holy Eucharist
THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
September 6, 2020 at Eleven O’clock A.M.

**PRELUDE** Ich ruf zu dir, Herr Jesu Christ, BWV 639

**HYMN 541** Come, labor on

Words: Jane Laurie Borthwick (1813-1897), alt.  Music: Ora Labora, Thomas Tertius Noble (1867-1953)

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1 Come, la - bor on.  Who dares stand i - dle
2 Come, la - bor on.  The en - e - my is
3 Come, la - bor on.  A - way with gloom - y
4 Come, la - bor on.  Claim the high call - ing
5 Come, la - bor on.  No time for rest, till

on the har - vest plain,  while all a - round us
watch - ing night and day,  to sow the tares, to
doubts and faith - less fear!  No arm so weak but
angels can - not share--  to young and old the
glows the west - ern sky,  till the long sha - dows

waves the gold - en grain?  And to each ser - vant
snatch the seed a - way;  while we in sleep our
may do ser - vice here:  by feeb - lest a - gents
Gos - pel glad - ness bear:  re - deem the time; its
o’er our path - way lie,  and a glad sound comes

does the Mas - ter say,  “Go work to - day.”
du - ty have for - got,  he slum - bered not.
may our God ful - fill his right - eous will.
hours too swift - ly fly. The night draws nigh.
with the set - ting sun,  “Ser - vants, well done.”
Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY AND SUMMARY OF THE LAW

GLORIA, HYMNAL S-204 (Sung by all) (Old Scottish Chant)

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

Grant us, O Lord, we pray thee, to trust in thee with all our heart; seeing that, as thou dost alway resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so thou dost not forsake those who make their boast of thy mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE LESSON Exodus 12:1-14 (Please be seated)
The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the LORD. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land.
of Egypt. This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

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

Psalm 149  (To be said by all, seated)

Cantate Domino

1 Hallelujah! Sing to the LORD a new song; *
   sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.
2 Let Israel rejoice in his Maker; *
   let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.
3 Let them praise his Name in the dance; *
   let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp.
4 For the LORD takes pleasure in his people *
   and adorns the poor with victory.
5 Let the faithful rejoice in triumph; *
   let them be joyful on their beds.
6 Let the praises of God be in their throat *
   and a two-edged sword in their hand;
7 To wreak vengeance on the nations *
   and punishment on the peoples;
8 To bind their kings in chains *
   and their nobles with links of iron;
9 To inflict on them the judgment decreed; *
   this is glory for all his faithful people. Hallelujah!

The Epistle  Romans 13:8-14

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet”; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, “Love your neighbor as yourself.” Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Reader  The Word of the Lord
People  Thanks be to God
Hymn 376 Joyful, joyful we adore thee

1 Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love; hearts unfold like flowers before thee, praising thee, their sun above.

2 All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heaven reflect thy rays, stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise.

3 Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest, well-spring of the joy of living, ocean-depth of happy rest!

Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away; Field and forest, vale and mountain, blooming meadow, flashing sea,

Thou our Father, Christ our Brother: all who live in love are thine; giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

Chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee. Teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

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The Gospel

Matthew 18:15-20

Celebrant

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

People

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said, “If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”

Celebrant

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Sermon

(Please be seated)

The Reverend Julia Macy Offinger

The Nicene Creed (To be said by all, standing)

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:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
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 and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He 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

( Remain standing )

Lector  Lord, in your mercy.

People  Hear our prayer.

THE CONFESSION

(To be said by all)

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION AND PEACE

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please be seated)

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

AT THE OFFERTORY, SOLO

“If with all your hearts”, from ELIJAH Op. 70, Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy (1809-1847)

If with all your heart ye truly seek Me, ye shall ever surely find Me, thus saith our God.
Oh, that I knew where I might find Him, that I might even come before His presence.
Jeremiah 29:13, Job 23:3, adapted by Julius Schubring

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PRAISE God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

( Remain standing )

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.

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. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,
All sing together:
Sanctus, Hymnal S-114

Healey Willan (1880-1968)

All may kneel after singing the Sanctus.

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.
And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ’s holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood. And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. AMEN.

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to 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. Amen.

*The Breaking of the Bread*  
*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.
Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following invitation
The gifts of God for the People of God. Grant, O Lord Jesus Christ, that as the hem of Thy garment, touched in faith, healed the woman who could not touch Thy Body, so may the souls of Thy servants who cannot now receive thee sacramentally be healed by like faith in Thee.

**THE ADMINISTRATION**  
The Celebrant receives on behalf of the People.
The Celebrant and People say together:

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (Remain standing)

Almighty and everlving God, we most heartily thank thee for gathering us as thy Church, the blessed company of all faithful people. We call to remembrance the many times we have been fed at thy table and we lament our distance now. Yet in the shadow of thy cross, Lord Jesus, we find our shelter. By the light of thy resurrection we have our hope. Therefore, be present with us as thou wast present with thy
disciples. Be known in the breaking of the bread. Let all that is Thee flow into us and we shall be satisfied. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in thy holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in, until we can gather together again; through Jesus Christ our Lord to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING

HYMN 334 Praise the Lord, rise up rejoicing

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DISMISSAL  
*The people respond:* Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE  Trumpet Voluntary  
*Jeremiah Clarke (c.1674-1707)*

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