

St. Paul's Episcopal Church
The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost ~ Proper 23
October 9, 2011

The Word of God

Prelude

The Opening Hymn

Sing praise to God who reigns above

Hymnal 408

Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation,
the God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation;
with healing balm my soul he fills, and every faithless murmur stills:
to God all praise and glory.

What God's almighty power hath made, his gracious mercy keepeth;
by morning glow or evening shade his watchful eye ne'er sleepeth.
Within the kingdom of his might, lo! all is just and all is right;
to God all praise and glory.

Let all who name Christ's holy Name give God all praise and glory;
let all who know his power proclaim aloud the wondrous story!
Cast each false idol from its throne, the Lord is God, and he alone;
to God all praise and glory.

Words: Johann Jacob Schutz, tr. Frances Cox CCLI 29496966

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Celebrant 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.**

Song of Praise

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**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be
given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy
Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron, and said to him, "Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him." Aaron said to them, "Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me." So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. He took the gold from them, formed it in a mold, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, "Tomorrow shall be a festival to the LORD." They rose early the next day, and offered burnt offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel.

The LORD said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'" The LORD said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation."

But Moses implored the LORD his God, and said, "O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.'" And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23

Confitemini Domino, Et fecerunt vitulum

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- 1 Hallelujah! Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, * for his mercy endures for ever.
- 2 Who can declare the mighty acts of the LORD * or show forth all his praise?
- 3 Happy are those who act with justice * and always do what is right!
- 4 Remember me, O LORD, with the favor you have for your people, *
and visit me with your saving help;
- 5 That I may see the prosperity of your elect and be glad with the gladness of your people, *
that I may glory with your inheritance.
- 6 We have sinned as our forebears did; * we have done wrong and dealt wickedly.
- 19 Israel made a bull-calf at Horeb * and worshiped a molten image;
- 20 And so they exchanged their Glory * for the image of an ox that feeds on grass.
- 21 They forgot God their Savior, * who had done great things in Egypt,
- 22 Wonderful deeds in the land of Ham, * and fearful things at the Red Sea.
- 23 So he would have destroyed them, had not Moses his chosen stood before him in the breach, *
to turn away his wrath from consuming them.

The Second Reading

Philippians 4:1-9

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life. Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

The Sequence Hymn

Lead me, guide me

LEVAS 194

*Lead me, guide me, along the way, For if you lead me, I cannot stray.
Lord, let me walk each day with Thee. Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me.*

I am weak and I need thy strength and power To help me over my weakest hour;
Help me through the darkness thy face to see, Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me. *Refrain*

Help me tread in the paths of righteousness, be my aid when satan and sin oppress;
I am putting all my trust in thee. Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me. *Refrain*

I am lost if you take your hand from me, I am blind without thy light to see;
Lord, just always let me thy servant be. Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me. *Refrain*

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The Gospel

Matthew 22:1-14

Deacon

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

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Once more Jesus spoke to the people in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city.

Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Nicene Creed

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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

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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; for Rowan, Archbishop of Canterbury; for Katharine, our Presiding Bishop; for Nedi, our Bishop; in our diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for St Luke's, Lakeview: Richard Landrith. We pray for Marilyn Roth and her Discernment Committee, and all who serve in the church;
That we may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for this country; for our president, Barak Obama; and for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

We pray for all members of this parish; in our congregational cycle of prayer, we pray for Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Strengthen and encourage all who serve in ministries that enrich and bless the lives of others;
The People add petitions

We give thanks for the work you have given us to do, and seek your strength to serve you faithfully.
That your love may be known throughout the earth.

Bless and hold all our neighbors who are in need, especially those affected by disasters, war, and poverty;
The People add petitions

Have compassion on all who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for Chuck and all your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us give thanks for all our blessings, and pray for our own needs, and those of others.
The People add their own thanksgivings and petitions.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Confession of Sin

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**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.**

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

The Peace *Please stand*

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

*Announcements, Thanksgivings and Celebrations of Life
This quarter, Thank offerings are designated for Big Brother, Big Sister*

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

Choir

The Doxology 8:00: *All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of thine own have we given thee.*

Hymnal 380- 10:00: *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.*

Eucharistic Prayer A

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 God thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, Through Jesus Christ our Lord... Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The Sanctus 8:00 *Said:*

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes

in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

10:00 *Sung- WLP 858:*

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

**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.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he 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 of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **AMEN.**

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

**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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

8:00

Alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia.

10:00- S154

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia;
Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*All are invited to come forward to receive the bread and wine or a blessing -grape juice or gluten free bread are available.
For private intercessory prayer for healing for yourself or others, please go to the station at back of the nave during communion.*

The Communion Hymns

My God, thy table now is spread

Hymnal 321

My God, thy table now is spread, thy cup with love doth overflow;
be all thy children thither led, and let them thy sweet mercies know.

O let thy table honored be, and furnished well with joyful guests;
and may each soul salvation see, that here its sacred pledges tastes.

Drawn by thy quickening grace, O Lord, in countless numbers let them come
and gather from their Father's board the Bread lives beyond the tomb.

Nor let thy spreading Gospel rest till through the world thy truth has run,
till with this Bread shall all be blessed who see the light or feel the sun.

All who hunger, gather gladly, holy manna is our bread.
Come from wilderness and wandering. Here in truth, we will be fed.
You that yearn for days of fullness, all around us is our food.
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

All who hunger, never strangers; seeker, be a welcome guest.
Come from restlessness and roaming. Here, in joy, we keep the feast.
We that once were lost and scattered in communion love have stood.
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

All who hunger, sing together; Jesus Christ is living bread.
Come from loneliness and longing. Here, in peace, we have been led.
Blest are those who from this table live their lives in gratitude.
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

Words: Sylvia Dunstan, GIA Pub. OneLicense A-719932

The Postcommunion Prayer *Please stand.*

Celebrant Let us pray.

**Almighty God, we thank you that in your great love
you have fed us with the spiritual food and drink
of the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ,
and have given us a foretaste of your heavenly banquet.
Grant that this Sacrament may be to us a comfort in affliction,
and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death,
neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all your saints;
through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

The Blessing

The Closing Hymn

Rejoice ye pure in heart

Hymnal 556

Rejoice, ye pure in heart! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!
Your glorious banner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.
Refrain: Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice give thanks, and sing.

With all the angel choirs, with all the saints of earth,
pour out the strains of joy and bliss, true rapture, noblest mirth. *Refrain*

Your clear hosannas raise, and alleluias loud;
while answering echoes upward float, like wreaths of incense cloud. *Refrain*

Yes, on through life's long path, still chanting as ye go,
from youth to age, by night and day, in gladness and in woe. *Refrain*

Still lift your standard high, still march in firm array,
as warriors through the darkness toil, -till dawns the golden day. *Refrain*

At last the march shall end; the wearied ones shall rest;
the pilgrims find their Father's house, Jerusalem the blest. *Refrain*

Then on, ye pure in heart! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!
Your glorious banner wave on high the cross of Christ your King. *Refrain*

Words: Edward Hayes Plumtre, Harold Flammer Music CCLI 29496966

The Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God!**

The Postlude

Today's Servers~

Celebrant: The Rev. Janet Fullmer; Deacon: The Rev. Stephen Schafroth; Acolyte: Mike Fowler;

Worship Leader: Marilyn Roth; Lector: 8:00-Harriet Langfeldt, 10:00-Rosemary Ross;

Prayers of the People: 8:00-Rustin Kimsey, 10:00-Denise Beasley; Eucharist Minister: Dewanda Clark;

Altar Guild: Anne Frazier, Kim McCullough;

Flowers: Ron and Janet Fullmer, To the glory of God, in thanks for Marcie Fullmer and Phyllis Youtz;

Greeter: Doris Smith; Coffee Hosts: Jack and Audrey Thornton

PLEASE PRAY For our diocese, friends and family:

In our diocesan cycle of prayer: for St Luke's, Lakeview: Richard Landrith.

For Comfort, Healing and Strength: For the repose of soul of Charles Hartmann and for comfort for Betty and all of Hartmann family; Repose of soul for Ann Marie's sister Jana Mullin, Kitty Mitchell and Betty Wells, and comfort for the Mullin, Woolsey, Mitchell and Wells' friends and families; for Tim O'Neill; Patty Geiter, her husband Jim, John and Diane Adams and their families; Kelly Fisher, and Skip and Carol; Don Lewis; Patrick Martin; Jack Howe; Doris and Norm Abrams; Art and Jane Schafroth; David, PaulaKay and Oliver;

For our Vestry and work groups: Building and Administration: Laurance Kerr, Junior Warden; Jill Durow, Pat Fowler, Jenny Curtis, Jerry Frazier, Treasurer; Relationship/Serving: Andrea Booren, Amy McIlvenna, Julie Reynolds, Diane Walworth; Worship/Education: Diane Walworth, Joanne Manciu, Robert Kirby, Julie Reynolds, Monte Dickinson, Senior Warden; and Deb Hucke, Deputy Clerk.

For those serving in the Armed Forces of our Country and for all those who serve and protect us, especially: John Bixler, Kelsey Neubauer, Albert South, Kyle McCullough, Turf McCullough, Kevin Gross, Travis Kennedy, Ben Schloss, Michael Stebbins and Max Turner, Amy and Gavin McIlvenna.

CALENDAR:

Tuesday	Bible Study	1:00 pm	Mill Creek-3 rd Floor
Wednesday	Eucharist	Noon	Diocesan Chapel
Thursday	Healing Service	Noon	St. Paul's

Readings for Sunday October 16

Exodus 33:12-23; Psalm 99
1 Thessalonians 1:1-10
Matthew 22:15-22

ANNOUNCEMENTS: TODAY- SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9: The Walworth Music Foundation, a non-profit that supports young people through private music lessons, announces its **FIRST ANNUAL FALL FUND-RAISING RECITAL, to be held October 9, 2:00 p.m.,** at The Dalles Christian Science Church, 701 Washington Street, The Dalles. See the flyer in the narthex for more information- or talk to Lloyd or Diane Walworth. There are lots of great performers- something for everyone!

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY- Words from Walt at the Worksite (2419 E. 16th): We will be building the two porch roofs and the interior walls upstairs, plus the stairs themselves. We encourage people to stop by and see the amazing progress being made on Janeal's house! Workdays are Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, 8:30 to 12:30. There is a job for all skills

and abilities, you can come for an hour or the day, and water and snacks are provided. Check out the web site for photos as the work progresses. See John Adams or Ron Fullmer for more information. So, put on your work clothes and join the very rewarding, and very exciting, fun!

VESTRY ORGANIZATION- Vestry news including an organizational chart and *Who's Who* for information, committees, etc; a church *Calendar at a Glance*; pictures, notices of parish events, financial reports, and other sundry items of interest are on the bulletin board, kiosk in the narthex and on the web site. Please check them out!

*For Vestry news, pictures, notices of parish events, financial reports...see the kiosk, check the notebooks in the office and visit the web site.

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