

# The Holy Eucharist (5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – June 23, 2024)

Prelude

Opening Rites

Psalm 19:14 “Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.”

Opening Song

## #85 – “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

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*Verse 1*

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,  
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;  
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not;  
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

*Chorus*

Great is Thy faithfulness, great is Thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided,  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

*Verse 2*

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,  
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above,  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

*Verse 3*

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide;  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside.

Greeting

*All standing, the 1<sup>st</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> responses should be used, the others are optional.*

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And also with you.

V. I was glad when they said to me,

R. “Let us go to the house of the Lord.”

V. O come, let us sing to the Lord;

R. Let us shout for joy to the Almighty Savior.

## “祢的信實極大”

1 上帝我的天父，祢這實極大，  
於祢 裡面都無黑暗驚惶，  
祢永不改變又有慈愛滿滿，  
古昔現今將來永遠無息。

和：祢的信實極大，祢的信實極大  
各日早晨看見祢的慈愛；  
我所欠用一切祢親手安排，  
祢的信實極大，何等慈愛。

2 春夏秋冬各時，栽種與收成，  
日月星辰時刻運行無停，  
宇宙萬物一齊為主作見證，  
傳報天父極大信實恩情。

3 主赦免我罪過，賜平安永活，  
親身看顧保護奇妙引導，  
各日賜下氣力堅固不搖撼，  
賜我百般恩典福氣滿滿。

- V. God is spirit.  
R. Those who worship Him must worship in spirit and in truth.  
V. Praise be to God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
R. And praise be to His kingdom now and forever.

*The Celebrant may say the following prayer or any other appropriate prayer*

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**

*When appointed, the following hymn or some other song of praise is sung or said, all standing*

*Gloria S280*

Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to His 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.

### **Collect of the Day**

*The Celebrant says to the people*

The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*The Celebrant says the COLLECT.*

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for Your holy Name, for You never fail to help and govern those whom You have set upon the sure foundation of Your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

*Celebrant*

Please be **SEATED** for the reading of the lessons.

## The Liturgy of the Word

### The Lessons

*The people sit. One or two Lessons, as appointed, are read, the Reader first saying*

The First and Second Reading from **Deuteronomy 7:6-9** & **1 Thessalonians 5:16-24**.

*After each Reading, the Reader may say*

The word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

### Anthem – “Find Us Faithful”

We're pilgrims on the journey of the narrow road, and those who've gone before us line the way.  
Cheering on the faithful, encouraging the weary, their lives a stirring testament to God's sustaining grace.

Surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us run the race not only for the prize;  
But as those who've gone before us, let us leave to those behind us the heritage of faithfulness passed on  
through godly lives.

Oh may all who come behind us find us faithful, may the fire of our devotion light their way.  
May the footprints that we leave, lead them to believe, and the lives we live inspire them to obey.  
Oh may all who come behind us find us faithful.

After all our hopes and dreams have come and gone, and our children sift through all we've left behind.  
May the clues that they discover and the memories they uncover become the light that leads them to the road we  
each must find.

Oh may all who come behind us find us faithful, may the fire of our devotion light their way.  
May the footprints that we leave, lead them to believe, and the lives we live inspire them to obey.  
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Oh may all who come behind us find us faithful, may the fire of our devotion light their way.  
May the footprints that we leave, lead them to believe, and the lives we live inspire them to obey.  
Oh may all who come behind us find us faithful, find us faithful.  
Oh may all who come behind us find us faithful!

### ***(Gospel Reader prepares to read at center while choir exits...)***

*Celebrant*

Let us all **RISE** for the proclamation of the Gospel.

### The Gospel

*Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **Matthew 25:19-28**.

*People* Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

*After the Gospel, the Reader says*

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

*Celebrant*

Please be **SEATED**.

## **The Sermon by Dcn. Harold Uy**

*Celebrant*

Let us all **RISE** as we proclaim our faith using the Nicene Creed.

### **The Nicene Creed**

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 men and for our salvation

He came down from heaven:  
conceived by 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**

*Celebrant*

Let us **KNEEL** and pray together the Prayers of the People.

V. Father, we pray for Your holy catholic Church;

R. That we may be one.

V. Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve You;  
R. That Your Name may be glorified by all people.

V. We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
R. That they may be faithful ministers of Your Word and Sacraments.

V. We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
R. That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

V. Give us grace to do Your will in all that we undertake;  
R. That our works may find favor in Your sight.

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

V. We praise You for Your saints who have entered into joy;  
R. May we also come to share in Your heavenly kingdom.

V. Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*Silence*

Hasten, O Father, the coming of thy kingdom; and grant that we thy servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold thy Son at His coming in glorious majesty; even Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

### **Confession**

Hebrews 4:14,16 reminds us, "Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need." So with confidence in our Lord and contrite hearts...

*The Deacon or Celebrant says*      **Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.**

*Minister 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, we pray You of Your mercy: forgive what we have been, amend what we are, direct what we shall be; that we may delight in Your will, and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your Name. Amen.

*The Bishop, when present, or the Priest, stands and says*

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.*

## Prayer of Humble Access

Most merciful Lord, we do not trust in our own merits to come to Your table, but in Your boundless grace. You have invited us to come to the table of the Kingdom of Heaven. Help us to partake of the body and blood of Your Son, Jesus Christ, that we may ever-more live in Him, and He in us. Amen.

*Celebrant* Let us all **RISE** for the Peace.

## The Peace

*All stand. The Celebrant says to the people*

Our Lord Jesus Christ says: “Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you.”

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* And also with you.

*The people exchange the peace of the Lord.*

## The Liturgy of the Eucharist

### Offertory

1 Chronicles 29:11 reminds us that “Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory, and the majesty. For everything in heaven and on earth is Yours. Yours, O Lord, is the kingdom, and You are exalted as head over all.”

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

### Offertory Hymn

#### #181 – “O Jesus, I Have Promised”

##### *Verse 1*

O Jesus, I have promised  
to serve Thee to the end;  
be Thou forever near me,  
my Master and my Friend.  
I shall not fear the battle  
if Thou art by my side,  
nor wander from the path way  
if Thou wilt be my Guide.

##### *Verse 2*

O let me feel Thee near me!  
The world is ever near;  
I see the sights that dazzle,  
the tempting sounds I hear;  
my foes are ever near me,  
around me and within;  
but Jesus, draw Thou nearer,  
and shield my soul from sin.

### “主耶穌永遠愛咱”

- 1 主耶穌永遠愛咱，  
好像活水長流，  
祂極其榮光燦爛，  
宛早晨的日頭，  
我周圍黑暗雲霧，  
求主攏總照散，  
前途黑暗看不明，  
願主的光引導。
- 2 苦難有時會包圍，  
使咱憂悶失志，  
魔鬼愛咱受迷惑，  
使咱靈魂永死，  
我主賞賜我聖靈，  
可得安慰扶持，  
倚靠聖靈的智慧，  
看明魔鬼計智。

*Verse 3*

O Jesus, Thou hast promised  
to all who follow Thee  
that where Thou art in glory  
there shall Thy servant be.  
And Jesus, I have promised  
to serve Thee to the end;  
O give me grace to follow,  
my Master and my Friend.

3 天光時清早起來，  
趁主命令做工，  
黃昏穹蒼雖黑暗，  
猶原有存希望，  
日日注神看耶穌，  
愈明上帝款式，  
信心愈久愈堅固，  
與主會愈親密。

After the offerings are collected, the people sing  
All things come of Thee, O Lord. And of Thine own have we given Thee. Amen.

### **The Great Thanksgiving**

*Eucharistic Prayer*

*The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says*

The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* We lift them up to the Lord.

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to You, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*Here a proper preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.*

Therefore we praise You, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of Your Name:

*Celebrant and People*

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord, God of hosts,  
heaven and earth are full of Thy glory.  
Glory be to Thee, O Lord Most High! Amen.

*The people stand or kneel.*

*Then the Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In Your infinite love You made us in Your image, and, when we fell 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. He stretched out His arms upon the cross, and offered Himself, in obedience to Your will, a perfect sacrifice for all mankind, to reconcile us to You, the God and Father of all.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to 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.*

On the night He was betrayed, 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:

*Celebrant and People*

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving and we offer You these gifts, recalling His death, resurrection, and ascension.

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. All honor and glory is Yours, Almighty Father, now and forever.  
*Amen.*

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,  
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**

V. Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.

R. Let us rejoice and exult and give the glory to the Lord.

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on Him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.*

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

The Body (Blood) of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. [*Amen.*]

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.



## *Celebrant and People*

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**

*The Bishop, when present, or the Priest, may bless the people with either of the following*

Now to God who is able to do exceedingly, abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, to Him be glory in the Church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.

### **Announcements**

1. Welcome delegates back from our **Junior Youth Summer Camp** entitled “Project Match”
2. Reminder for our **Online Wednesday Prayer Meeting** – highlight June 26 prayer focus for Children’s Ministry, and mention the July prayer focus items. All are invited to join and let us pray together.
3. We invite all married couples to come to Marriage Keepers Fellowship on June 30, Sunday, at Room 405.

### **Closing Song**

#### **# 50 - "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"**

##### *Verse 1*

What a friend we have in Jesus,  
all our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry,  
everything to God in prayer!  
O what peace we often forfeit,  
O what needless pain we bear,  
all because we do not carry  
everything to God in prayer!

##### *Verse 2*

Have we trials and temptations?  
Is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged,  
take it to the Lord in prayer!  
Can we find a friend so faithful  
who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our every weakness;  
take it to the Lord in prayer.

#### **“至好朋友就是耶穌”**

- 1 至好朋友就是耶穌，  
擔當罪過及煩惱，  
真正咱有大大福氣，  
萬事都可對祂討，  
心肝常常失落平安，  
屢屢罣慮艱苦事，  
這是由咱未有深信，  
未有放心交託主。
- 2 或是遇着憂悶試煉，  
或是甚麼大煩惱，  
的確不可常常失志，  
當將各項來祈禱，  
豈有朋友至此盡忠，  
甘願體貼萬災禍，  
耶穌知咱心的軟弱，  
將這苦事來祈禱。

*Verse 3*

Are we weak and heavy laden,  
cumbered with a load of care?  
Precious Saviour, still our refuge;  
take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?  
Take it to the Lord in prayer!  
In His arms He'll take and shield thee;  
thou wilt find a solace there. Amen.

3 設使倦懶都無氣力，  
親像挑擔將跌倒，  
至大救主咱可親近，  
萬事都可對祂討，  
朋友若有看輕厭賤，  
可將這事來祈禱，  
主會用手遮截保護，  
心可安然免煩惱。阿們。

**Dismissal**

**Deacon**      **Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!**

*People*        *Thanks be to God.*

Postlude