The Holy Eucharist (18th Sunday after Pentecost & Anniversary Shirt Sunday – Oct. 1, 2023)

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."

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Opening Song: #75 – A Mighty Fortress is My God vv. 1-3

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing; our helper He amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing. For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe; his craft and power are great, and armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing, were not the right Man on our side, the Man of God's own choosing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He; Lord Sabaoth, His name, from age to age the same, and He must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us, we will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph through us. The Prince of Darkness grim, we tremble not for him; his rage we can endure, for lo, his doom is sure; one little word shall fell him. Amen.

"上帝做咱堅固營寨"

- 上帝做咱堅固營寨, 做咱盾牌到萬世, 雖有危險艱苦阻礙, 咱免驚惶不受害, 咱的君王興起,靠祂奇妙計智, 魔鬼雖然兇猛,我主有大權能, 咱的上帝永得勝。
- 2 咱若倚靠自己能力, 就沒氣力勝對敵, 全能的主發出號令, 與惡交戰穩得勝, 君王什麼名字, 耶穌基督就是, 祂是獨一無二, 上帝獨生的子, 靠祂交戰穩當贏。
- 3 世界充滿魔鬼計謀, 主會保護眾信徒, 咱不免驚仇敵陷害, 主的真理永同在, 魔鬼恐嚇的聲,我心全然無驚, 只要主出一聲,對敵驚惶四散, 罪惡權勢不害我。阿們。

Greeting

All standing, the 1st and 5th 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.
- 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

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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 God, You declare Your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of Your grace, that we, running to obtain Your promises, may become partakers of Your heavenly treasure; 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.

The First and Second Reading from Ezekiel 18:26-32 & Philippians 2:12-18.

After each Reading, the Reader may say:

The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Anthem

We will now have our anthem – to be sung by our dear Children's Praise Club – reminding us that our lives must bring glory to the Lord our God. Let us be encouraged as we listen to their song entitled, "I Want to Bless You Lord."

I want to bless You Lord

In all that I do Let my life Bring glory to you Fill my heart

So Your love can flow Use me Lord

Wherever I go

I want to bless You Lord

In all that I do
Let my words
Bring glory to you
Guard my thoughts
So that they might be

Filled with love and Praises to Thee

I want to bless You Lord

In all that I do
Let my hands
Bring glory to you
Reaching out
To the ones in need
Touch me Lord
So you can use me

I want to bless You Lord

In all that I do Let my life Bring glory to you Fill my heart

So Your love can flow

Use me Lord Wherever I go

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 **Luke 19:1-10.**

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. Aileen Fung

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.

Mission and Vision

Celebrant

Together, let us also declare our Mission and Vision.

Mission:

Celebrant Church, what are we to do?

People To raise up generations of mature followers of Christ to be salt and light in the world who will

love God, love others, and make disciples.

Vision:

Celebrant What do we aim to be?

People To be a church that impacts our community through members who are diligent in making

disciples wherever they are, rooted in the word, reverent in worship, and fervent in prayer.

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

Celebrant Let us now say a prayer for discernment as we begin the search for a new bishop for our diocese. Let us pray.

Celebrant and people:

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit Your faithful people are governed and sanctified: we pray You to visit Your household of faith, the Episcopal Diocese of Central Philippines, as she calls for a bishop who shall shepherd your people; come to us Lord, Holy Spirit, and make us Your temple; so that by Your indwelling we will come to know Your will, and the person who is after Your own heart who shall be to us a teacher, priest, and pastor following the example of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. In His Name we pray. Amen.

Celebrant:

Lord, hear the prayers of thy people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Confession

Remember the words of our Lord Jesus Christ in Mark 12:29-31: "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your

mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these." Therefore with humble 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

Revelation 4:11 "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

Offertory Hymn

#347 - "Why Have You Chosen Me?"

Why have You chosen me out of millions Your child to be? You know all the wrongs that I've done;
Oh how could You pardon me, forgive my iniquity,
To save me give Jesus Your Son?
But Lord, help me be what You want me to be,
Your word I will strive to obey;
My life I now give, for You I will live,
And walk by Your side all the way.

"主為何揀選我"

主祢為何從萬人中揀選我做祢兒女 祢知我過犯那麼多, 主哦祢赦免了我掩面不看我罪過 賜下愛子耶穌拯救我。 哦主幫助我成為祢要樣式, 我願一生順服主旨意 如今獻生命為主而生活 與我主同行奔天路。 I am amazed to know that a God so great could love me so, Is willing and wanting to bless;
His grace is so wonderful, His mercy so bountiful,
I can't understand, it I confess.
But Lord, help me be what You want me to be,
Your word I will strive to obey;
My life I now give, for You I will live,
And walk by Your side all the way.
My life I now give, for You I will live,
And walk by Your side all the way.

何等奇妙至大真神之愛竟然臨到我歌頌讚美主榮耀名, 主救恩典多稀奇救主憐憫大又多 雖我細思量難明瞭我。 哦主幫助我成為祢要樣式, 我願一生順服主旨意 如今獻生命為主而生活 與我主同行奔天路。 如今獻生命為主而生活 與我主同行奔天路。

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

Celebrant 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 for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of Your Name:

Celebrant and People

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

We give thanks to You, O God, for the goodness and love which You have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be Your people; in Your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, Your Son. For in these last days You sent Him to be incarnate from the virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Him, You have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before You. In Him, You have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

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 before He died for us, 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, according to His command, O Father, we declare to all the world the mystery of the faith:

Celebrant and People
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to You, O Lord of all; presenting to You, from Your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray You, gracious God, to send Your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and His Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to Your Son in His sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through Him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under Your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all Your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of Your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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 for ever. 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. We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
- R. Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

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.]

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, You have graciously accepted us as living members of Your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and You have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of His Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve You with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

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

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and of His Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord; 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. Reminder that we'll have our **PICTURE-TAKING** after this worship service, so all are asked to stay on your pews after the candlelights are extinguished. Bro. Danny Tio will then be giving instructions later how to proceed with our picture-taking.
- 2. Next week October 8 will be our **CONFIRMATION SERVICE**. Bishop Rex Reyes will be present to confirm several of our members. In case there still those that have not yet been confirmed, kindly get in touch with our church officer as soon as possible.
- 3. Finally, we invite Bro. Jerry Ting to make an announcement regarding our **CHOIR CONCERT**.

Closing Song

#218 - "The Whole Wide World For Jesus"

Verse 1

The whole wide world for Jesus, This shall our watchword be, Upon the highest mountain, Down by the widest sea. The whole wide world for Jesus, To Him shall all men bow, In city or in prairie, The world for Jesus now.

Chorus

The whole wide world, the whole wide world!
Proclaim the Gospel tidings through the whole wide world!
Lift up the cross of Jesus,
His banner be unfurled,
Till every tongue confess Him through the whole wide world.

"願普天下歸耶穌"

1 願普天下歸耶穌, 這是阮口所求, 不論高山和嶺上, 不論高以和 或是深海大洋, 願普天下歸耶穌, 人都伏拜歸附, 無論城市或鄉社, 此時當歸於主。

和: 在普天下, 在普天下, 救世福音應該遍傳, 在普天下, 當展開救人聖旗, 高舉十字寶架, 直到衆人都歸耶穌, 在普天下。

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Verse 2

The whole wide world for Jesus, Inspire us with the thought That every son of Adam Has by His blood been bought. The whole wide world for Jesus, O faint not by the way! The Cross shall surely conquer In this our glorious day.

Verse 3

The whole wide world for Jesus, The marching order sound, Go ye and preach the Gospel Wherever man is found. The whole wide world for Jesus, Our banner is unfurled, We battle now for Jesus, And faith demands the world.

Verse 4

The whole wide world for Jesus, In the Father's house above Are many wondrous mansions, Mansions of light and love. The whole wide world for Jesus, Ride forth, O conq'ring King! Through all the mighty nations, The world to glory bring.

- 2 願普天下歸耶穌, 阮在思念這話, 亞當攏總的後高, 會得主血贖回, 願普天下歸耶穌, 勿得疲倦推辭, 十字寶架穩得勝, 在這榮光日期。
- 3 願普天下歸耶穌, 傳主催戰號令, 凡有人住的所在, 當傳福音分明, 當傳不下歸耶穌, 願普天下歸奉起, 阮今跟主入戰陣, 願普天下歸祂。
- 4 願普天下歸耶穌, 在父天上家中, 在父天上家中, 許多極美的住宅, 燦爛光下歸宮, 願普天下歸耶縣, 今求至大君王, 接納萬民入天庭, 久長敬拜尊崇。

(No dismissal and postlude in lieu of the church-wide picture taking.)