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# Prelude

John Leavitt

*And he said, Lord, I believe*

## John 9, Psalm 27

*“Hyfrydol”*

Hymn 460

Intercessor, friend of sinners,  
earth's Redeemer, plead for me,  
where the songs of all the sinless  
sweep across the crystal sea.

4 Alleluia! King eternal,  
thee the Lord of lords we own:  
Alleluia! born of Mary,  
earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:  
thou within the veil hast entered,  
robed in flesh, our great High Priest:  
thou on earth both Priest and Victim  
in the eucharistic feast.

5 Alleluia! sing to Jesus!  
his the scepter, his the throne;  
Alleluia! his the triumph,  
his the victory alone;  
Hark! the songs of holy Zion  
thunder like a mighty flood;  
Jesus out of every nation  
hath redeemed us by his blood.

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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.**

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.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

*People: And also with you.*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

#### Job 42:1-6, 10-17

Job answered the LORD:

“I know that you can do all things,  
and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted.  
‘Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?’  
Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand,  
things too wonderful for me, which I did not know.  
‘Hear, and I will speak;  
I will question you, and you declare to me.’  
I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear,  
but now my eye sees you;  
therefore I despise myself,  
and repent in dust and ashes.”

And the LORD restored the fortunes of Job when he had prayed for his friends; and the LORD gave Job twice as much as he had before. Then there came to him all his brothers and sisters and all who had known him before, and they ate bread with him in his house; they showed him sympathy and comforted him for all the evil that the LORD had brought upon him; and each of them gave him a piece of money and a gold ring. The LORD blessed the latter days of Job more than his beginning; and he had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand donkeys. He also had seven sons and three daughters. He named the first Jemimah, the second Keziah, and the third Keren-happuch. In all the land there were no women so beautiful as Job's daughters; and their father gave them an inheritance along with their brothers. After this Job lived for one hundred and forty years, and

saw his children, and his children's children, four generations. And Job died, old and full of days.

Celebrant: The Word of the Lord

People *Thanks be to God*

**Psalm 34:1-8** *Benedicam Dominum*

- 1 I will bless the Lord /at all /times; \*  
his praise shall /ever be in my /mouth.
- 2 I will glory /in the /Lord; \*  
let the /humble hear and re/joyce.
- 3 Proclaim with me the greatness/ of the /Lord; \*  
let us e/xalt his Name to/gether.
- 4 I sought the Lord, and he /answered /me \*  
and delivered me /out of all my /terror.
- 5 Look upon him /and be /radiant, \*  
and let not your/ faces be a/shamed.
- 6 I called in my affliction and the /Lord heard /me \*  
and saved /me from all my /troubles.
- 7 The angel of the Lord encompasses/ those who/ fear him, \*  
and he /will deliver /them.
- 8 Taste and see that the /Lord is /good; \*  
happy are /they who trust in /him!



**Hebrews 7:23-28**

The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but Jesus holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

Celebrant: The Word of the Lord

People: *Thanks be to God*

## Sequence Hymn

*St. Thomas"*

Hymn 411

1 O bless the Lord, my soul!  
His grace to thee proclaim!  
And all that is within me  
join to bless his holy Name!

2 O bless the Lord, my soul!  
His mercies bear in mind!  
Forget not all his benefits!  
The Lord to thee is kind.

3 He will not always chide;  
he will with patience wait;  
his wrath is ever slow to rise  
and ready to abate.

4 He pardons all thy sins,  
prolongs thy feeble breath;  
he healeth thine infirmities  
and ransoms thee from death.

5 He clothes thee with his love,  
upholds thee with his truth;  
and like the eagle he renews  
the vigor of thy youth.

6 The bless his holy Name,  
whose grace hath made thee whole,  
whose loving-kindness crowns thy days:  
O bless the Lord, my soul!

## Mark 10:46-52

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

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

Jesus and his disciples came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

**Celebrant:** The Gospel of the Lord

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

## The Homily

John Swezey

## 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 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

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;  
*That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.*

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

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

Have compassion on those 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 your saints who have entered into joy;  
*May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.*

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others especially Crystal, the Search Committee, Kelly, the Vestry, Geneva, Jessie, William, Wanda, Stuart Webster and her family, Beverley Coleman and her family, Jeaneen Eastland, Mary Ruth, Reed Stone Moore's family, Regina, Dorothy and Shane.

*Silence.*

*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.

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

### The Peace, Announcements

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

*People: And also with you.*

Offertory Anthem                      *How Beautiful Are the Feet*                      Georg Friedrich Handel

The Doxology:                      *"Hymn 380 v. 3"*                      Old 100<sup>th</sup>

All: 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.

### The Lord's Prayer (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.

Recessional Hymn                      *"New Britian"*                      Hymn 671

1 Amazing grace! how sweet the sound,  
that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost but now am found,  
was blind but now I see.

2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to  
fear,  
and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear  
the hour I first believed!

3 The Lord has promised good to me,  
his word my hope secures;  
he will my shield and portion be  
as long as life endures.

4 Through many dangers, toils, and  
snares,  
I have already come;  
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far,  
and grace will lead me home.

5 When we've been there ten thousand  
years,  
bright shining as the sun,

we've no less days to sing God's praise  
than when we'd first begun.

## Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People *Thanks be to God.  
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.*

## Postlude

*"Postlude on Diademata"*

Gordon Young

Masks are mandatory for all indoor activities at the Church  
Parish House and the Church office for the foreseeable future.

*The beauty of the Altar flowers are  
Given to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of  
Mimi Riggan  
By Reed Stone Moore*

*The beauty of the Narthex flowers are  
Given to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of  
Mimi H. Riggan  
By Lucy Hart Davis*

*We give thanks for the beauty of the Baptismal Font Ring  
Given to the Glory of God and in Thanksgiving for Charles Sheppard Morrison  
by his parents Mr. & Mrs. Gregory and Sarah Beth Morrison  
(The baptism was Saturday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>)*

Pray today for the Lay Employees and Volunteers of the Diocese of Southwestern Virginia. The People of the Diocese of Haiti as they search for their new Bishop. The Diocese of Leeds and their Bishop, The Rt. Rev. Nick Baines.

## October Events

- Adult Sunday School in the Parish House at 9:30 am. The Book of Acts will be discussed.
- Sunday services at 10:30 am.
  - 10/31 Rev. Ron Johnson presiding with HE
- Wine will be a part of communion
- The opening of the nursery is on hold at this time.
- The Daily Office is being offered by an ecumenical group of dedicated individuals at 9 a.m. for morning prayer, noon for noontime prayer and at 5 p.m. for evening prayer. Join the group on Facebook Live, their page is Daily Office Prayer and the link is <https://www.facebook.com/dailyOfficePrayer/>.

- Every Monday thru November 14<sup>th</sup> “The Parables: Stories with Intent”  
A series presented by Br. Peter Budde BSG, MDIV, MA, 6:30 to 7:00 PM Fellowship, 7:00 to 8:00 PM Class at the Parish House. **Please bring your preferred Bible.**
- Every Wednesday, Contemplative Noonday Prayer Service in the Chapel  
Using “Order of Service for Noonday” from the book of common prayer along with readings from the early church and silent meditation.
- Loaves & Fishes will be served the last Wednesday of each month from 5:15 - 5:45pm using the drive-thru pickup system from the Parish House parking lot.

Annual Meeting/Vestry Elections – The annual meeting of the Church will be on November 14<sup>th</sup> to elect 4 new vestry members, hear reports for the year and conduct any business that comes before the Church. We will meet in the undercroft and will have a Zoom option if requested.

Please submit nominations for vestry to the office.

Grace Network - Our Grace Network Assignments for October - December: Juice (40-64 oz.) For the month of October: toilet paper, feminine products and deodorant. They are also in need of grocery bags for their food pantry. Use the Food Lion card for your shopping or give the card to Sue Rosser to shop for Grace Network. “Grace is counting on us to help keep their food pantry balanced. Thank you for supporting this outreach ministry.”





## Thank you to those who serve:

Officiant: John Swezey  
Lector/prayers: Jay Dickens  
Organist/Choirmaster: Becky Smith  
Chorister/Cantor: Raul West  
Camera Director: Hank Long  
Ushers: Trippi Penn, Gus Barber  
Altar Guild: Team Four – Lauren Prince, Becky Farrar, Susan Smith,  
Natalie Coleman, Ashley Ullstein, Dawn Stone

## Vestry for 2021

Lloyd Barber, Treasurer

**Year 3:** Dan Cahill, Junior Warden; Natalie Coleman;  
Debbie Lewis; Ron Probst

**Year 2:** Carolyn Byrd, Secretary; Chris Canipe;  
Beverley Coleman; Ellen Maxwell

**Year 1:** Hank Long, Senior Warden;  
Ruby Stultz; Rebin Titus; Pat Walmsley