Birthday and Other Anniversaries Prayer

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Stand.

The Peace

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Offertory Sentence

The congregation is seated following the sentence.

The Offertory

Anthem O Horn Amiable Ralph Vaughan Williams

Transfiguration Choir

Stand. Hymn Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word The Hymnal 440

The Great Thanksgiving

The Hymnal S 120

You are encouraged to open The Book of Common Prayer to Eucharistic Prayer B on page 367 and join in the responses.

Sanctus Missa Paer Nobis arr. William Trafka

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 Dismissal

Presider Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Processional Hymn Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee The Hymnal 376

Voluntary Postlude – Toccata on Hymn to Joy Joel Martinson

The Lord's Prayer Sung The Hymnal S 119

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem Deutsche Messe – Franz Schubert

Communion of the People

All who are baptized by water and in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, regardless of denomination, are invited to receive Communion. Those who are not baptized, or who choose not to receive for any reason, are invited forward to the altar rail to receive a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest. To receive by intinction, continue holding the host out and the Eucharistic Minister will dip it into the chalice and place it on your tongue. Indicate your desire to receive a gluten-free host by holding out your hands together palms-down.

Anthem My Song Shall Be Always of the Lovingkindness of the Lord Transfiguration Choir

Voluntary Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word Sigfrid Karg-Elert

Hymn Holy Banquet, Feast of Love The Hymnal A 723

Printed inside the back cover of The Hymnal 1982.

Stand. The Postcommunion Prayer BCP 366

Welcome

Please stand at the ringing of the sacred bell.

Entrance Hymn O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High Stanzas 1, 2, 3 & 6

The Opening Acclamation The Book of Common Prayer, page 355

Presider * Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

The Collect for Purity

BCP 355

Song of Praise The Spacious Firmament on High The Hymnal 409

You are invited to sing this entire hymn in harmony.

The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Be seated.

The First Lesson

Jeremiah 1:4-10

The word of the Lord came to me saying, “Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations.” Then I said, “Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.” But the Lord said to me, “Do not say, ‘I am only a boy’; for you shall go to all whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you,
Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord." Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The Gradual
Psalm 71:1-6

Tone 7C

Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The Second Lesson
1 Corinthians 13:1-13

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I gain nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. Love does not rejoice at evil, but is rejoiced at the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never fails.

The Gospel

***The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

In the synagogue at Nazareth, Jesus read from the book of the prophet Isaiah, and began to say, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is not this Joseph’s son?" He said to them, "Doth a prophet have no place where he is to be esteemed? And they said, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.' And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up and no rain fell for a long time, six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of Elijah, but none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian."

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Be seated.

The Sermon

The Prayers of the People

The Presiderpronounces an absolution and the People respond.

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

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 Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Kneel.

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.

The Presider invites the prayers of the congregation, and offers on the altar the prayers printed in the Parish Intercession Book.

Each petition concludes:

President: Lord, have mercy.

People: Christ have mercy.

The President prays a Concluding Collect:

O Lord, you have taught us that without love whatever we do is worth nothing; send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts your love, so that without which whoever lives is accounted dead before you. Grant this for the sake of your only Son Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Presider pronounces the dismissal:

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