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Season After Pentecost

The Gathering of the Community

Welcome

Acknowledgement is made of the land where we gather. The presider offers comments to orient the community to the liturgical rite to follow.

A chime or tone may be sounded to begin the liturgical rite.

Processional Hymn (cross leads, paschal candle optional) *Called to Faith* SNC 137

Dean greets the assembled

Presider The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All **And also with you.**

The Collect

Presider Almighty God, whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ was lifted high upon the cross that he might draw the whole world to himself:
mercifully grant that we, who glory in the mystery of our redemption,
may have grace to take up our cross and follow him;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen**

The Proclamation of the Word

The First Reading

Numbers 21:4b-9

At the conclusion of the reading:

Reader Word of God, word of life.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 98:1-6

A reader recites the odd-numbered verses; all recite the verses in bold.

1 Sing a new song to the Lord, who has done marvellous things,
whose mighty hand and holy arm have won the victory.
**2 O Lord, you have made known the victory;
you have openly shown your righteousness in the sight of the nations.**
3 You remember your mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel,
and all the ends of the earth have seen your victory, O God.
**4 Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands;
lift up your voice, rejoice and sing.**
5 Sing to the Lord with the harp,
with the harp and the voice of song.
**6 With trumpets and the sound of the horn
shout with joy before our sovereign, the Lord.**

The Second Reading

At the conclusion of the epistle:

1 Corinthians 1:18-24

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the churches.
All **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn

Alleluia

SNC 190

The Holy Gospel

John 3:13-17

Deacon The Lord be with you.
All **And also with you.**
Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Saviour Jesus Christ according to John.
All **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

After the Gospel, the Deacon says:

The Gospel of Christ.
All **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

Homily

A period of silent reflection follows the sermon.

The Very Reverend Christopher A. Pappas

Affirmation of Faith

You are invited to join in an affirmation of faith.

You, O God, are Creator of all,
by whom every being in heaven and earth
is fashioned, named, and sustained.
You call us each by name.

You, O God, are Living Word,
who came and pitched your tent with us,
lived and died and rose again.
You speak to us now through faith.

You, O God, are Holy Spirit,
who comforts, strengthens, and inspires,
sending us forth to share your love.
You are the breath of grace.

You, O God, are Trinity:
Creator, Word, Spirit;
artist, healer, friend.
You are holy mystery.
We worship you. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

The Confession and Absolution

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and God's creation.

Silence may be kept.

All God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you,
by what we have done and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart,
and we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
We have wounded your creation by waste, neglect, and selfishness.
Have mercy upon us, forgive us, and renew us,
that we may delight in your will, walk in your ways,
and care for the earth you have made. Amen.

Presider Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ has reconciled all things in heaven and earth, forgive you your sins, restore within you the divine image, and renew you in the Spirit to live in justice and peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Ritual of Thanksgiving and Release

Presentation of Symbols (Members bring forward Bible, chalice, font, candle, vestments. Presider offers prayers of thanksgiving for each.)

Release Prayer

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, for you have brought forth in this place a people to worship and serve you. We give you thanks for all who have prayed here, for those baptized, fed, and strengthened here. As we bring the life of St Brigid's to a close, we release this congregation from its mission as a distinct community of the Cathedral, commending to your keeping all that has been, and entrusting to your mercy what is yet to be; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

All may exchange a sign of peace.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

The Offertory

Thank you for your prayerful stewardship of the ministries of the Cathedral. Your generous gift of any amount matters, because your stewardship empowers our mission to advance the Good News of God's infinite love and mercy through our worship, ministries, formation, and service. You may make a gift using the offering plate being passed around at this time or refer to the back page of this bulletin to see other methods. Together with the gifts of bread and wine, we present our gifts at the altar as a sign of thanksgiving to God, from whom all good things come.

Offertory Hymn

O Blessed Spring

SNC 114

The Prayer over the Gifts

Presider Merciful God, through the death of your beloved Son you transformed an instrument of shame into a sign of hope and glory. Receive all we offer you this day, and renew in us the mystery of his love; through the same Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory. **Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer - ACC Supplementary Prayer 1

Presider May God be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them up to God.**

Presider Let us give thanks to God our Creator.

All **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider Holy God, Lover of creation,
we give you thanks and praise
for in the ocean of your steadfast love you bear us
and place the song of your Spirit in our hearts.
When we turn from your love and defile the earth,
you do not abandon us.

Your Spirit speaks through Huldah and Micah,
through prophets, sages, and saints in every age,
to confront our sin and reveal the vision of your new creation.
Joining in the song of the universe we proclaim your glory singing:

Sanctus

You are Holy

SNC 86

Presider Gracious God,
in the fullness of time you sent Jesus the Christ
to share our fragile humanity.
Through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection
you open the path from brokenness to health,
from fear to trust, from pride and conceit
to reverence for you.

Rejected by a world
that could not bear the Gospel of life,
Jesus knew death was near.
His head anointed for burial
by an unknown woman,
Jesus gathered together those who loved him.
He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it
and gave it to his friends,
saying, "Take and eat:
this is my body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine,
gave you thanks,
and said “Drink this all of you,
this is my blood of the new covenant
which is shed for you and for many.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me.”

And now we gather at this table
in response to his commandment,
to share the bread and cup of Christ’s undying love,
and to proclaim our faith.

All **Christ has died.**
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Presider Breathe your Holy Spirit,
the wisdom of the universe,
upon these gifts that we bring to you:
this bread, this cup,
ourselves, our souls and bodies,
that we may be signs of your love for all the world
and ministers of your transforming purpose.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory is yours, Creator of all,
and we bless your holy name for ever.

All **Amen.**

Ringings of the bell. (x3)

The Lord’s Prayer

Presider In the spirit of Jesus’ teaching, let us pray.

All **Abba, God in heaven, holy is your name,**
may your kingdom come, may your will be done,
here on earth as it is in heaven. Give us what we need for today.
Forgive us as we forgive others. Save us from times of trial,
and deliver us from all evil. For all authority and power
and glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Fraction

Presider The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.

All **We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

Presider The gifts of God for the people of God.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Fraction Anthem

Lamb of God

SNC 231

The Communion

To receive the consecrated bread, approach the altar and extend your hands to the priest with palms open. To receive the consecrated wine, carefully guide the chalice to your lips. Please do not dip the bread into the wine. If you do not wish to receive communion, you are invited to receive a blessing by approaching the altar and crossing your arms over your chest.

During Communion

Now in This Banquet

SNC 33

The Prayer after Communion

Presider Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ, for uniting us with him and with one another, and for sustaining us as your pilgrim people. Send us now into the world in peace and hope, trusting that you will bring life from every ending, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Doxology

Presider Glory to God,

All **whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Blessing

Closing Rites

Farewell Prayer

O God, you have bound us together in this place for a time to work for the advancement of your kingdom, and to love and support one another in the Body of Christ. We give you thanks for the ministry we have shared in St Brigid's, and we release one another in love, confident that you hold us always in your grace.

Blessing

Christ crucified draw you to himself, to find in him a sure ground for faith, a firm support for hope, and the assurance of sins forgiven; and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always.

Closing Hymn

May the God of Hope Go with Us


SNC 168

Dismissal

Deacon Go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the cross.

All Thanks be to God.

Procession Out (cross leads, paschal candle optional)

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