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Twenty-First Sunday After Pentecost
10 AM

October 25, 2020
Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Watch live on our Facebook page and our website at 10 am, and on our YouTube channel after 2 pm

Welcome Bishop Ihloff



Thank you for joining us today

THE WORD OF GOD

Introit

Hear my prayer – Felix Mendelssohn

Cassidy Dixon, Soprano

Mr. Greg Seseck, Music Director & Organist

Hear my prayer, O God, incline Thine ear!
Thyself from my petition do not hide.
Take heed to me! Hear how in prayer I mourn to Thee,
Without Thee all is dark, I have no guide.

The enemy shouteth, the godless come fast!
Iniquity, hatred, upon me they cast!
The wicked oppress me, Ah where shall I fly?
Perplexed and bewildered, O God, hear my cry!

My heart is sorely pained within my breast,
my soul with deathly terror is oppressed,
trembling and fearfulness upon me fall,
with horror overwhelmed, Lord, hear me call!

Welcome and Announcements

The Reverend Nancy H. Hennessey, Rector

THE OPENING SENTENCES

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be his kingdom now and forever. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS - S277

Setting by David Hurd

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth.

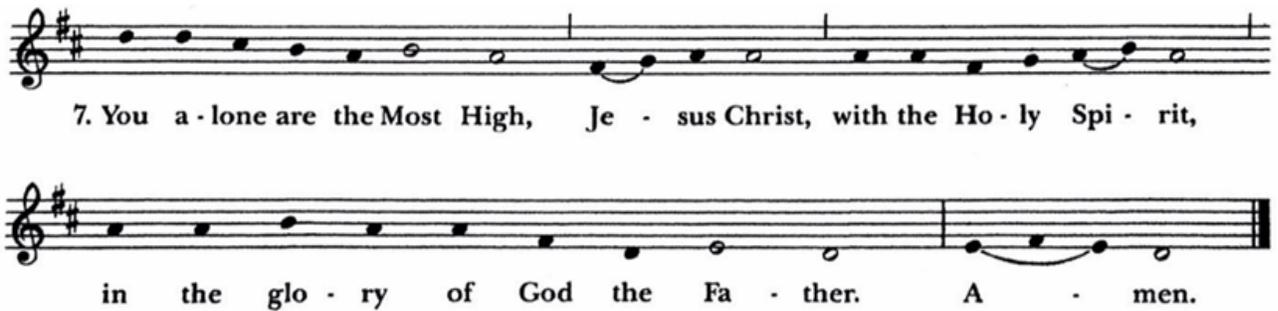
2. Lord God, hea-ven-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you,
we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry. 3. Lord Je-sus Christ,

on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,

4. you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;

5. you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.

6. For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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.**

THE FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the LORD showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, the Negeb, and the Plain—that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees—as far as Zoar. The LORD said to him, “This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, ‘I will give it to your descendants’; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there.” Then Moses, the servant of the LORD, died there in the land of Moab, at the LORD’s command. He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. Moses was one hundred twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigor had not abated. The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended.

Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the LORD had commanded Moses.

Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face. He was unequalled for all the signs and wonders that the LORD sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 90:1-6, 13-17

Said in unison

- 1 Lord, you have been our refuge *
from one generation to another.
- 2 Before the mountains were brought forth,
or the land and the earth were born, *
from age to age you are God.
- 3 You turn us back to the dust and say, *
"Go back, O child of earth."
- 4 For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past *
and like a watch in the night.
- 5 You sweep us away like a dream; *
we fade away suddenly like the grass.
- 6 In the morning it is green and flourishes; *
in the evening it is dried up and withered.
- 13 Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry? *
be gracious to your servants.
- 14 Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; *
so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.
- 15 Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us *
and the years in which we suffered adversity.
- 16 Show your servants your works *
and your splendor to their children.
- 17 May the graciousness of the LORD our God be upon us; *
prosper the work of our hands;
prosper our handiwork.

ALLELUIA



The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,

'The Lord said to my Lord,
"Sit at my right hand,
until I put your enemies under your feet"'?

If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Right Rev. Robert W. Ihloff
Assisting Bishop of Maryland

Following the sermon, let us pause for a period of silent reflection on God's holy word.

Organ Meditation

Mr. Greg Seseck

THE NICENE CREED

BCP pg. 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 PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant

Mercifully receive our prayers, O God, that we may know your ways and follow where you lead, responding, *Hear us Lord.*

For those who are seeking a spiritual home, that they may be inspired to seek a faith community and receive a deep sense of God's presence as they explore what is stirring inside them; let us pray.

Hear us Lord.

That we may be set free from the need to claim our worthiness through possessions and position, so that we may discover our true identity in the life and hope of the Holy Spirit; let us pray.

Hear us Lord.

Guide the leaders of our Church, diocese and congregation that there may be mutual respect across, and a renewed sense of partnership in bringing God's Kingdom into the most troubled corners of our neighborhoods and nations; let us pray.

Hear us Lord.

Encourage our civic leaders to modify their convictions with compromise, that there may be a renewal of hope for those who live in poverty, unemployment, and lack of education opportunities; let us pray.

Hear us Lord.

Reveal the unfolding beauty of creation, the uniqueness of seasons, and the joy and wonder of your handicraft, that we may delight in guarding these gifts; let us pray.

Hear us Lord.

Hold in your arms of mercy for the ill, poor, hungry, oppressed, and those impacted by COVID-19. We ask for your prayers especially for those on our parish prayer list: Sally, Debbie, Shannon, Jeff & Kim, Norma, Sharon, Margaret, Ed, Laura, Joyce, Christine, Mike and his family, Kendall, Jean, Marge, Sarah, Joe, Gail, Mark, Steve W., Pam, Michelle, Joe G., Carole, Jay, Stan, the Beavers family, Rick; the Hardy family, David C., Ella Mae, Steve & Debbie, Jeanetta, Christina, and Khalil; let us pray.

Hear us Lord.

We thank you for the blessings of this life; especially for those celebrating birthdays including Loretta and Jean; let us pray.

Hear us Lord.

Gracious God, give to the departed eternal rest in your loving arms; let us pray.

Hear us Lord.

Celebrant

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, our Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer. *Amen.*

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

BCP pg. 360

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence is kept

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 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.**

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

The people greet one another virtually with a sign of God's peace.

A Special Note:

Please continue as you are able to financially support Sherwood. We continue to do God's work and your contributions of any size make a huge difference. You may now contribute online via our website. Go [here](http://sherwoodcockeyville.org/give) to check it out. (sherwoodcockeyville.org/give) Or if you would prefer, mail in your contribution to 5 Sherwood Road, Cockeyville, 21030. We are checking the mail regularly and depositing any checks. Thank you!

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY HYMN - 602

O for the wings of a dove - Felix Mendelssohn
Cassidy Dixon, Soprano

O for the wings, for the wings of a dove!
Far away, far away would I rove!
In the wilderness build me a nest,
and remain there for ever at rest.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

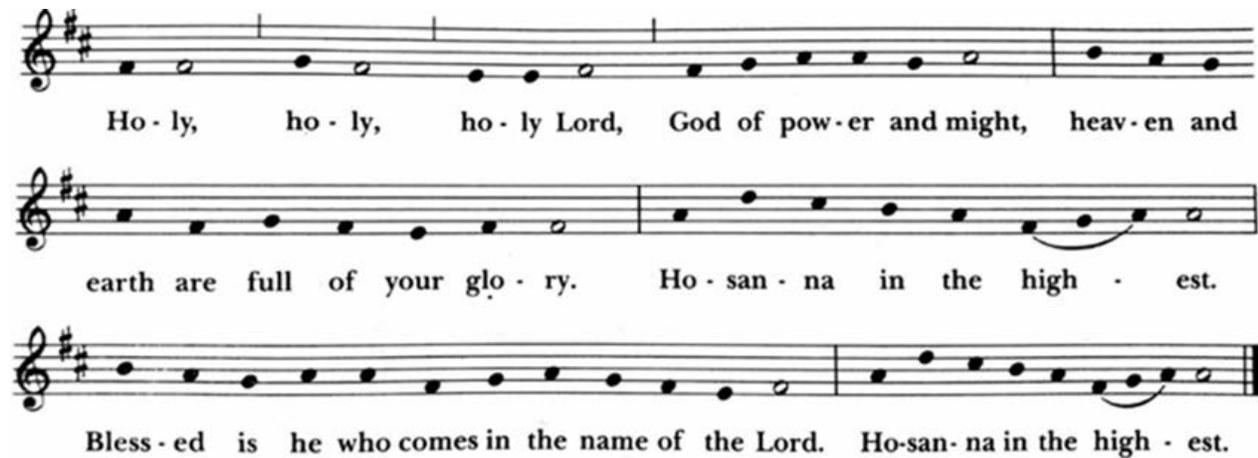
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS – S124

Setting by David Hurd



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, heav - en and
 earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Celebrant gives thanks to God for the reconciling work of Christ's passion and resurrection and prayers over the bread and wine.

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory.

The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic prayer and at the conclusion says

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 forever. **Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
 have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
 sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
 you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

A PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Episcopal Prayer Book for the Armed Forces (1988)

Celebrant:

Let us say together the prayer for spiritual communion.

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. And since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

The Celebrant pronounces a blessing over the People, and the People respond, Amen.

HYMN - 657

Love divine, all loves excelling

1 Love divine, all loves excelling,
 joy of heaven, to earth come down,
 fix in us thy humble dwelling,
 all thy faithful mercies crown.
 Jesus, thou art all compassion,
 pure, unbounded love thou art;

visit us with thy salvation,
enter every trembling heart.

2 Come, almighty to deliver,
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.

3 Finish then thy new creation;
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee:
changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

DISMISSAL

As we go forth into the world, refreshed and renewed, we reaffirm our commitment to our mission as a congregation:

God commands us to enthusiastically cast open our doors to embrace all, impacting lives through bold service, no exceptions!

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord! Alleluia, Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Postlude

Trumpet Tune – Henry Purcell
Mr. Greg Seseck

Worship Participants from Studio Sherwood

Preacher: The Rt. Rev. Robert W. Ihloff

Presider: The Rev. Nancy H. Hennessey

Music Director & Organist: Greg Seseck

Soloist: Cassidy Dixon

Lector: Anne Wismer

Broadcast Engineer: Anne Wismer

Thank you for joining us for our virtual worship this morning. Please be sure to check out our Facebook page for updates and also remember to subscribe to our YouTube channel.

If you are interested in receiving our e-newsletter, please contact Carey Mednick at sherwoodparish@gmail.com.

This Week @ Sherwood

Monday

Office closed

Tuesday

Bible Study via Zoom @ 2 pm

Thursday

Mother Nancy in the office (please call or email her for an appt.)

Broadmead Bible Study @ 11:30 am

Saturday

Trail of Souls via Zoom 10 am-12 pm

Registration details to come

Announcements

Welcome Bishop Ihloff!

We are blessed to have The Right Reverend Robert W. Ihloff preaching and worshipping with us today. He is currently the Assisting Bishop of Maryland and served as the 13th Bishop of Maryland for more than a decade. Although we are not together in person, we are in spirit. If you're watching our service on Facebook, be sure to say hello to him in the chat!

A Safe Way to Receive the Eucharist: Communion by the Red Door

Today between 11:15 and 11:45 am, Mother Nancy and Bishop Ihloff (wearing masks and gloves) will greet you at your car with a pre-sanctified, pre-wrapped wafer. (The wafers have been carefully handled and wrapped by Anne Wismer in gloves and a mask.) Stop by and be restored and renewed by receiving the Eucharist. We hope to see you by the Red Door!

Volunteers Needed for October 30 Drive-Thru Food Distribution:

Sherwood's second event with the School Support Network (SSN) at Cockeysville Middle School will be another much-needed, greatly appreciated drive-thru food distribution. More than 90 cars went through the line during the first event. Set up is

from 9 to 10 am with the distribution happening between 10 and noon. Donations of toothpaste, soap, shampoo, and conditioner are also needed (please leave these in the bin on the Parish Office porch). If you'd like to participate or have questions, please contact Joyce Mann at joymann3@hotmail.com.

Submit Names Now for All Saints' Day:

On Sunday, November 1 we will celebrate All Saints' Day, one of the seven principal feasts of the church year. Because we will not be gathering in-person for worship, you are encouraged to have a candle ready to light when you join us on Facebook Live on November 1. The names of those who died and/or were buried in our cemetery this past year will be read and a candle lit. As we celebrate the Eucharist, we will be surrounded by our beloved saints. We will also be gathering the names of the saints in your lives who have died and list them in the bulletin. This will allow us all to honor our loved ones who have gone before us and you too can light a candle in their honor.

There are three ways to send us your names:

- 1) Fill out this form on our website: sherwoodcockeyville.org/all-saints-day-2020/
- 2) Email Carey Mednick at sherwoodparish@gmail.com
- 3) Call the parish office at 410-666-2180 and leave a voicemail. Please be sure to spell the names clearly and indicate if the person has passed away in the year since November 1, 2019.

PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR NAMES BY OCTOBER 30.

Remembering COVID-19 Victims:

The Diocese of Maryland is having an All Souls' Service of Remembrance on Monday, November 2 @ 11 am. Bishop Sutton and the Diocese of Maryland invite you to submit the names of loved ones who have died from COVID-19. You may submit more than one form.

(https://episcopaldioceseofmaryland.formstack.com/forms/all_souls_covid19_remembrance)

Bishop Sutton will officiate and the Rev. J. Joseph Hart, director of Spiritual Support Services at GBMC, will preach. The liturgy will be from the *Book of Common Prayer* for the Burial of the Dead and will include prayers for all who have been affected by this pandemic. Watch the livestream by going to <https://episcopalmaryland.org/> or view it out later on their YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/episcopalmaryland>

Save the Date:

Trail of Souls, Saturday, October 31 from 10 am to 12 pm via Zoom. Join us for a discussion on reparations. More details and sign up to follow.