



Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

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PRELUDE & MEDITATION

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WELCOME & CANDLE LIGHTING



OPENING HYMN – CH 4

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

1.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

2.

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
God everliving, through eternity.

3.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye of sinful human eye thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

4.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

All thy works shall praise thy name in earth, and sky and sea.

Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!

God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

PASSING OF THE PEACE





SPECIAL PEOPLE

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 32:22-31

Read by Jon Pirtle

That night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two female servants and his eleven sons and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. After he had sent them across the stream, he sent over all his possessions. So Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him till daybreak. When the man saw that he could not overpower him, he touched the socket of Jacob's hip so that his hip was wrenched as he wrestled with the man. Then the man said, "Let me go, for it is daybreak." But Jacob replied, "I will not let you go unless you bless me." The man asked him, "What is your name?"

“Jacob,” he answered. Then the man said, “Your name will no longer be Jacob, but Israel, because you have struggled with God and with humans and have overcome.”

Jacob said, “Please tell me your name.” But he replied, “Why do you ask my name?” Then he blessed him there.

So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, “It is because I saw God face to face, and yet my life was spared.” The sun rose above him as he passed Peniel, and he was limping because of his hip.

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 14:13-21

When Jesus heard what had happened, he withdrew by boat privately to a solitary place. Hearing of this, the crowds followed him on foot from the towns. When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick. As evening approached, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a remote place, and it's already getting late. Send the crowds away, so they can go to the villages and buy themselves some food." Jesus replied, "They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat."

“We have here only five loaves of bread and two fish,” they answered. “Bring them here to me,” he said. And he directed the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people. They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. The number of those who ate was about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Psalm 145:8-21

The Lord is gracious and compassionate,
slow to anger and rich in love.

The Lord is good to all;
he has compassion on all he has made.

All your works praise you, Lord;
your faithful people extol you.

They tell of the glory of your kingdom
and speak of your might,
so that all people may know of your mighty acts
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,
and your dominion endures through all generations.

The Lord is trustworthy in all he promises
and faithful in all he does.

The Lord upholds all who fall
and lifts up all who are bowed down.

The eyes of all look to you,
and you give them their food at the proper time.

You open your hand
and satisfy the desires of every living thing.

The Lord is righteous in all his ways
and faithful in all he does.

The Lord is near to all who call on him,
to all who call on him in truth.

He fulfills the desires of those who fear him;
he hears their cry and saves them.

The Lord watches over all who love him,
but all the wicked he will destroy.

My mouth will speak in praise of the Lord.

Let every creature praise his holy name
for ever and ever.

Sermon
*„From Struggle
to Strength“*



RESPONSIVE HYMN- CH 97

Fairest Lord Jesus

1.

Fairest Lord Jesus,
ruler of all nature,
O thou of God to earth come down;
thee will I cherish,
thee will I honor,
thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

2.

Fair are the meadows,
fairer still the woodlands,
robed in the blooming garb of spring:
Jesus is fairer,
Jesus is purer,
who makes the woeful heart to sing.

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who makes the woeful heart to sing.

3.

Fair is the sunshine,
fairer still the moonlight,
and all the twinkling, starry hosts:
Jesus shines brighter,
Jesus shines purer,
than all the angels heaven can boast.

A photograph of several jellyfish swimming in deep blue water. The jellyfish have translucent, bell-shaped bodies with a yellowish-orange glow. Their long, thin, reddish-brown tentacles are spread out, creating a complex web-like pattern against the blue background. The lighting is soft, highlighting the delicate structure of the jellyfish.

OFFERING & MEDITATION

DOXOLOGY – CH 46

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. Amen!

The image features a deep blue, monochromatic background with several jellyfish floating. The jellyfish are translucent with visible internal structures and long, fine tentacles trailing behind them. They are positioned at various depths and angles, creating a sense of movement in the water. The word "PRAYERS" is written in a bold, white, sans-serif font, centered horizontally and slightly to the left of the vertical center.

PRAYERS

Our Father in heaven
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours now and forever.
Amen.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING HYMN – CH 556

Trust and Obey

1. When we walk with the Lord
 in the light of his word,
 what a glory he sheds on our way!
 While we do his good will,
 he abides with us still,
 and with all who will trust and obey.

Trust and obey, for there's no other way
to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

2.

Not a burden we bear,
not a sorrow we share,
but our toil he will richly repay;
not a grief or a loss,
not a frown or a cross,
but is blest if we trust and obey.

Trust and obey, for there's no other way
to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

3.

But we never can prove
the delights of his love
until all on the altar we lay;
for the favor he shows
and the joy he bestows
are for them who will trust and obey.

Trust and obey, for there's no other way
to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

4.

Then in fellowship sweet
we will sit at his feet,
or we'll walk by his side in the way;
what he says we will do,
where he sends we will go--
never fear, only trust and obey.

Trust and obey, for there's no other way
to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

BLESSING

**GO IN PEACE TO LOVE
AND SERVE THE LORD.**

THANKS BE TO GOD

Amen! אָמֵן



POSTLUDE

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