



THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

Welcome to Holy Eucharist in the Celtic tradition. At this service, we offer music and liturgy based on principles of Celtic worship. Our services follow themes which change with the liturgical season. During the season of Pentecost we are guided by the theme of wind, which represents the breath of God which sweeps over the face of the whole creation and fills us with life.



The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Celtic Holy Eucharist
September 29, 2019 • 5 pm

PRELUDE

*WONDROUS LOVE
IN THE SALLY GARDEN*

THE COLLECT

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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

Amos 6:1a,4-7

Alas for those who are at ease in Zion, and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria. Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory, and lounge on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock, and calves from the stall; who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp, and like David improvise on instruments of music; who drink wine from bowls, and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile, and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

THE RESPONSE

Psalms 146

1 Hallelujah!

Praise the LORD, O my soul! *

I will praise the LORD as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

2 Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, *
for there is no help in them.

3 When they breathe their last, they return to earth, *
and in that day their thoughts perish.

4 Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! *
whose hope is in the LORD their God;

5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; *
who keeps his promise for ever;
6 Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, *
and food to those who hunger.
7 The LORD sets the prisoners free;
the LORD opens the eyes of the blind; *
the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;
8 The LORD loves the righteous;
the LORD cares for the stranger; *
he sustains the orphan and widow,
but frustrates the way of the wicked.
9 The LORD shall reign for ever, *
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.
Hallelujah!

THE SECOND READING

1 Timothy 6:6-19

There is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains. But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time~ he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen. As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

GOSPEL SONG

Al- le- lu- ia, al - le-
lu- ia! Al - le - lu ia al - le - lu -
- ia! The Word of the Lord lasts for ev- -er.
What is the Word that is li - ving? It is
brought to us through his Son Je- -sus Chnst.

The musical score is written for a single voice on a five-line staff. It begins in 3/4 time and changes to 6/8 time after the first measure. The melody is simple and repetitive, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: 'Al- le- lu- ia, al - le- lu- ia! Al - le - lu ia al - le - lu - ia! The Word of the Lord lasts for ev- -er. What is the Word that is li - ving? It is brought to us through his Son Je- -sus Chnst.'

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THE GOSPEL

Luke 16:19-31

Jesus said, "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there

to us.' He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house~ for I have five brothers~ that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

OFFERTORY

MIST COVERED MOUNTAIN

THE SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. God of power and
might, heav'n and earth are filled with your glo-ry, Ho-
san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is the One who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Music: Land of Rest-traditional folk melody; reprinted under onelicense.net A709573

BLESSING SONG

Verse



May the road rise to meet you, _ and the wind be at _ your



back; May the rains fall soft up - on _ your fields, _ and the



sun shine warm on your face. And un - til we meet a -



- gain, _ _ _ _ _ may you rest in Love's em - brace.

Text from traditional Irish Blessing; music by John Grover

CLOSING HYMN

WHAT WONDROUS LOVE IS THIS



1. What wond - drous love is this, O my soul, O my
2. To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will
3. And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing



soul! What wond - drous love is this, O my soul! What
sing, to God and to the Lamb, I will sing. To
on, and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on. And



won - drous love is this that caused the Lord — of
God and to the Lamb who is the great — I
when from death I'm free I'll sing and joy — ful



bliss to lay a - side his crown for my soul, for my
AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will sing, I will
be, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on, I'll sing



soul, to lay a - side his crown for my soul.
sing, while mil - lions join the theme I will sing.
on, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

Music: from *The Southern Harmony*, 1835. Lyrics: unknown author, ca. 1835.

RECEIVING COMMUNION

The Church believes that in Holy Communion, the Body and Blood of Christ is given to God's people and received by faith. All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome here and invited either to participate in Communion or to receive a blessing. To receive the bread, please hold your hands out in front of you. To receive the wine, help guide the chalice to your lips. If you prefer, you may dip the bread in the wine and then place it in your mouth. If you do not wish to receive the bread and the wine, you are invited to come forward, cross your hands across your chest, and receive a blessing. **Gluten-free communion wafers are available upon request.**

COMMISSIONING OF LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITOR

Celebrant In the name of God and on behalf of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

Please use this poetry for your own contemplation during the service or to take with you for your own prayer life.

POETRY

Selections from A Prayer for Pentecost

Holy Spirit, Lord and Giver of Life:

At the beginning of time

you moved over the face of the waters;

you breathe into every living being

the breath of life.

Come, Creator Spirit,

and renew the whole creation.

Holy Spirit, Advocate, Teacher:

You speak to us of our Lord,

and show us the depth of his love.

Come, Spirit of Truth,

abide in us and lead us in the way of Christ.

Holy Spirit, wind and flame,

You filled disciples with joy and courage,

empowering them to preach your word

and to share your good news.

Come, Spirit of Power,

make us bold witnesses

of your redeeming love .

- Reformed Church in America

Selection from In Praise of Air

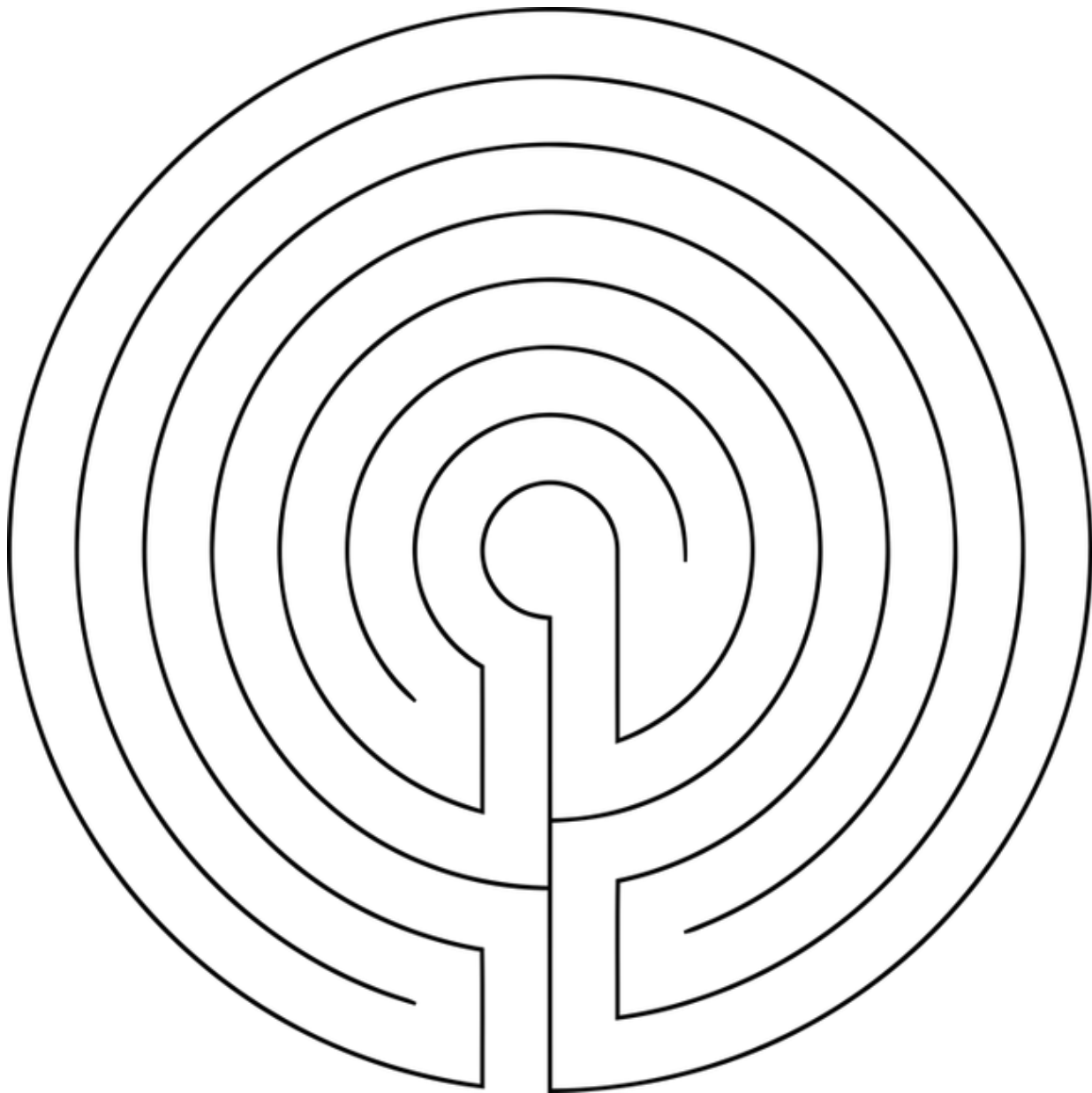
Let us bless the air,
Benefactor of breath,
Keeper of the fragile bridge
We breathe across
Air waiting outside
The womb, to funnel
A first breath
That lets us begin
To be here,
Each moment
Drawn from
Its invisible stock.

-John O'Donohue

Selection from The Voice

I hear your voice on the wind
And I hear you call out my name:
“Listen, my child,” you say to me
“I am the voice of your history.
Be not afraid, come follow me;
Answer my call and I'll set you free.
I am the voice in the wind and the rain.
I am the voice of your hunger and pain.
I am the voice that always is calling you.
I am the voice, I will remain.

-from Brendan Grahame



During periods of silence throughout this service, or in your personal times of prayers and reflection outside of worship, this labyrinth is a gift of peace to all who seek deeper relationship with God in their life's journey.

Using your finger, journey on this labyrinth toward inner-contentedness with the Divine, spend some time with God there, in the center, and then re-trace your journey outward with the knowledge that God is ever with you.

A Labyrinth is not a maze; as a maze has dead ends that are used to confuse and trick the mind. A labyrinth is a spiral course having a single, winding unobstructed path from the outside to the center.

IN THANKSGIVING & MEMORY

WE GIVE THANKS FOR THOSE CELEBRATING:

Birthdays in the next week: Joan Lewis, Kit Perez, Allison Pico, Ian Firesheets, Daniel Startzman, Rachel Votaw, Luke Robinson, Liz Ovelman, Missy Darling, Beth Weinewuth, James Carlson, Eliza Kappers, Beatrice Nepomuceno, Alexandra Thienprayoon, Amy Harris, Caroline McKernan, Carolyn Martin, Tom Schram, Corie Kirkwood, Lucy Beauchamp, Henry Bekins.

Anniversaries in the coming week: Therese & Rob Kranz, Anne & Philip Cone, Lisa & Matthew Senter, Elizabeth & Paul Wilson, Nancy & Glenn Gollobin, Christina & David Gault, Alyssa & Nate Taylor, Edie & Steve Zimmerman.

The **FLOWERS** that beautify our worship spaces are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Isabel Mackoy Robinson by Betsy & Tom Schram.

PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

Celebrant & Preacher

Lector

Lay Reader

Intercessor

Bankers

Bread Guild

Flower Guild

Altar Guild

Celtic Guild

The Rev. Melanie W. J. Slane

Pinky Laffoon

Tom Hill

Pattie Jamison

Michael Hardy, Cynthia Walker, Missy Holzman (alt.)

Carol Hesser, Guy Byars

Melanie Schottelkotte, Christy Bornemann, Sharon Smith, Edie Zimmerman

Kathy Behne, Sheila Maxwell, Liz Schildknecht, Kelly Schleker, Sharon Smith

Deb Kapuscinski, Steve Kapuscinski

