



Seth Kellogg

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The Episcopal Church of the Atonement

Monday, October 18, 2021

2:00 pm

Voluntary

The people stand as the ministers enter.

I am Resurrection and I am Life, says the Lord. Whoever has faith in me shall have life, even though he die. And everyone who has life, and has committed himself to me in faith, shall not die for ever.

As for me, I know that my Redeemer lives and that at the last he will stand upon the earth. After my awaking, he will raise me up; and in my body I shall see God. I myself shall see, and my eyes behold him who is my friend and not a stranger.

For none of us has life in himself, and none becomes his own master when he dies. For if we have life, we are alive in the Lord, and if we die, we die in the Lord. So, then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's possession.

Happy from now on are those who die in the Lord!
So it is, says the Spirit, for they rest from their labors.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God of grace and glory, we remember before you this day our brother, Seth. We thank you for giving him to us, his family and friends, to know and to love as a companion on our earthly pilgrimage. In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Give us faith to see in death the gate of eternal life, so that in quiet confidence we may continue our course on earth, until, by your call, we are reunited with those who have gone before; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Most merciful God, whose wisdom is beyond our understanding: Deal graciously with Connie and Tanya in their grief. Surround them with your love, that they may not be overwhelmed by their loss, but have confidence in your goodness, and strength to meet the days to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The people sit.

First Reading *Job 38:1-7; 39:26-28*

read by Marshall Hughes

A Reading from Job

Then the Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind:
Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?
Gird up your loins like a man,
I will question you, and you shall declare to me.
Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?
Tell me, if you have understanding.
Who determined its measurements—surely you know!
Or who stretched the line upon it?
On what were its bases sunk,
or who laid its cornerstone
when the morning stars sang together
and all the heavenly beings^s shouted for joy?

Is it by your wisdom that the hawk soars,
 and spreads its wings towards the south?
 Is it at your command that the eagle mounts up
 and makes its nest on high?
 It lives on the rock and makes its home
 in the fastness of the rocky crag.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 40

William Crotch



- 1 I waited patiently up - | on the | Lord; *
 he stooped to | me and | heard my | cry.
- 2 He lifted me out of the desolate pit...out of the | mire and | clay; *
 he set my feet upon a high cliff and | made my | footing | sure.
- 3 He put a new song in my mouth...a song of | praise • to our | God; *
 many shall see, and stand in awe...and | put their | trust • in the | Lord.
- 4 Happy are they who | trust • in the | Lord! *
 they do not resort to evil spirits or | turn to | **fälse** | gods.
- 5 Great things are they that you have done, O Lord my God!
 how great your | wonders • and your | plans for us! *
 there is none who can | be com - | pared with | you.
- 6 Oh, that I could make them | known and | tell them! *
 but they are | more than | I can | count.
- 7 In sacrifice and offering you | take no | pleasure *
 (you have | given • me | ears to | hear you);
- 8 Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have | not re - | quired, *
 and so I | said, "Be - | hold, I | come.
- 9 In the roll of the book it is | written • con - | cerning me: *
 'I love to do your will, O my God...your | law is | deep in • my | heart.'"
- 10 I proclaimed righteousness in the | great • congre - | gation; *
 behold, I did not restrain my lips...and | that, O | Lord, you | know.
- 11 Your righteousness have I not hidden in my heart;
 I have spoken of your faithfulness and | your de - | liverance; *
 I have not concealed your love and faithfulness from the | **grëat** | congre - | gation.
- 12 You are the Lord...do not withhold your com - | passion • from | me; *
 let your love and your faithfulness | keep me | safe for | ever,



- 13 For innumerable troubles have crowded upon me...
 my sins have overtaken me, and I | can - not | see;
 they are more in number than the hairs of my head, | and my | **heärt** | fails me.
- 14 Be pleased, O | LORD, • to de - | liver me;
 O | LORD, make | haste to | help me.
- 15 Let them be ashamed and altogether dismayed...who seek after my | life • to de - | stroy it;
 let them draw back and be disgraced... who take | pleasure • in | my mis - | fortune.
- 16 Let those who say “aha!” and gloat over me | be con - | founded,
 be - | cause they | are a - | shamed.
- 17 Let all who seek you rejoice in | you • and be | glad;
 let those who love your salvation continually say, | **“Grëat** | is the | LORD!”
- 18 Though I am | poor • and af - | flicted,
 the | Lord will | have re - | gard for me.
- †19 You are my helper and | my de - | liverer;
 do not | tarry, | O my | God.

Second Reading *Romans 8:14-19, 34-35, 37-39*
 A Reading from Paul’s Letter to the Romans

read by Candy Oyler

All who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God.

Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand to sing the hymn.

Hymn 488 *Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart*

The Hymnal 1982

The Holy Gospel *John 6:37-40*

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to the people, "Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away; for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. This is indeed the will of my Father, that all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Homily

The Rev. Nancy Webb Stroud

All stand

In the assurance of eternal life given at Baptism, let us proclaim our faith and say,

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

For our brother, Seth, let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ who said, "I am Resurrection and I am Life."

Lord, you consoled Martha and Mary in their distress; draw near to us who mourn for Seth, and dry the tears of those who weep.

Hear us, Lord.

You wept at the grave of Lazarus, your friend; comfort us in our sorrow.
Hear us, Lord.

You raised the dead to life; give to our brother eternal life.
Hear us, Lord.

You promised paradise to the thief who repented; bring our brother to the joys of heaven.
Hear us, Lord.

Our brother was washed in Baptism and anointed with the Holy Spirit; give him fellowship with all your saints.
Hear us, Lord.

He was nourished with your Body and Blood; grant him a place at the table in your heavenly kingdom.
Hear us, Lord.

Comfort us in our sorrows at the death of our brother; let our faith be our consolation, and eternal life our hope.
Hear us, Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to you our brother Seth, who was reborn by water and the Spirit in Holy Baptism. Grant that his death may recall to us your victory over death, and be an occasion for us to renew our trust in your Almighty love. Give us, we pray, the faith to follow where you have led the way; and where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, to the ages of ages.
Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Hymn 335 *I am the bread of life*

The Hymnal 1982

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who rose victorious from the dead, and comforts us with the blessed hope of everlasting life. For to your faithful people, O Lord, life is changed, not ended;

and when our mortal body lies in death, there is prepared for us a dwelling place eternal in the heavens.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus and Benedictus

The Hymnal, S128

Ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven 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 people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory.**

The Celebrant continues

And we offer this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with blessed Seth and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. 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 for ever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Priest and People

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

Give us this day our daily bread.

**And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

**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.**

**Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

Priest Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Celebrant then says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All are welcome to receive the presence of God in the Holy Eucharist. During times of pandemic (including this time) the church has adopted habits to mitigate the spread of disease and still share in the bread of heaven and cup of salvation. Those sitting in the choir area will receive first. Then the priest will bring the bread down the stairs to the floor of the nave. Please come forward, one person at a time. Receive the bread in your hand and know that both the body and blood of Jesus are present in the wafer. Gluten free wafers are available; please ask for one if you require it. While we cannot safely share the common Cup, a member of the Altar party will receive the Wine on behalf of all.

Spiritual Communion

Those who are unable to receive communion in person are invited to offer this prayer of Spiritual Communion:

In union, Blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, I long to offer you praise and thanksgiving.

I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Let nothing separate me from you; let me live and die in your love. Amen.

Piano Voluntary *Gaeta's Lament*

Bear McCreary

Then the Celebrant says
Let us pray.

The People stand and pray together,

Almighty God, we thank you that in your great love you have fed us with the spiritual food and drink of the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, and have given us a foretaste of your heavenly banquet. Grant that this Sacrament may be to us a comfort in affliction, and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death, neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all your saints; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Commendation

The ministers take their places at the body.

Celebrant Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints,
People **where sorrow and pain are no more,**
 neither sighing, but life everlasting.

Celebrant You only are immortal, the creator and maker of mankind; and we are mortal, formed of the earth, and to earth shall we return. For so did you ordain when you created me, saying, "You are dust, and to dust you shall return." All of us go down to the dust; yet even at the grave we make our song: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

People **Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with your saints,**
 where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing,
 but life everlasting.

The Celebrant then says

Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Seth. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming. Receive him into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light. **Amen.**

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Hymnal 657 *Love divine, all loves excelling*

The Hymnal, 1982

The Ministers and family process from the Church. All are invited to join the procession to Pine Hill Cemetery for the Committal. Please bring this leaflet with you.

The Committal

Everyone the Father gives to me will come to me;
I will never turn away anyone who believes in me.

He who raised Jesus Christ from the dead will also give new life to our mortal bodies through his indwelling Spirit.

My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices;
my body also shall rest in hope.

You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy,
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

In sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to Almighty God our brother Seth, and we commit his body to the ground; earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust. The Lord bless him and keep him, the Lord make his face to shine upon him and be gracious to him, the Lord lift up his countenance upon him and give him peace.
Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Almighty God, with whom still live the spirits of those who die in the Lord, and with whom the souls of the faithful are in joy and felicity: We give you heartfelt thanks for the good examples of all your servants, who, having finished their course in faith, now find rest and refreshment. May we, with all who have died in the true faith of your holy Name, have perfect fulfillment and bliss in your eternal and everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Rest eternal grant to Seth, O Lord;
And let light perpetual shine upon him.

May his soul, and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God,
rest in peace. **Amen.**

The Blessing and Dismissal

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant: Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Ministers of Today's Liturgy

Acolyte	Robert Duval
Altar Guild	Bill Stroud, Josh Velez
Eucharistic Minister	Debbie Randzio
Readers	Marshall Hughes, Candy Oyler
Stream Team	Curt Hahn, Bill Stroud
Ushers	Al Randzio, Burt Hansen

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An Old Fashioned Song
By John Hollander

No more walks in the wood:
The trees have all been cut
Down, and where once they stood
Not even a wagon rut
Appears along the path
Low brush is taking over.

No more walks in the wood;
This is the aftermath
Of afternoons in the clover
Fields where we once made love
Then wandered home together
Where the trees arched above,
Where we made our own weather
When branches were the sky.
Now they are gone for good,
And you, for ill, and I
Am only a passer-by.

We and the trees and the way
Back from the fields of play
Lasted as long as we could.
No more walks in the wood.

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