Holy Eucharist

Proper 25A, Pentecost 21

October 25, 2020

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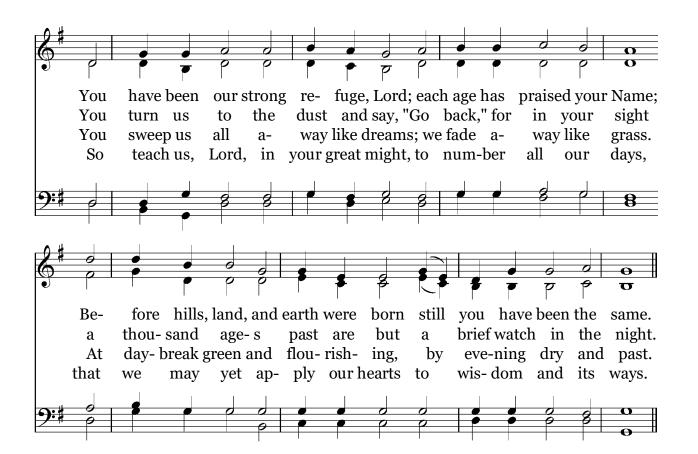
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Prelude

Announcements

Opening Hymn

You have been our strong refuge, Lord



Presider

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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.

Song of Praise

Presider and People say together

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; vou are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, vou alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.

Presider 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**.

All sit.

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

¹Moses 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, ²all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, ³the Negev, and the Plain—that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees—as far as Zoar. ⁴The 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." ⁵Then Moses, the servant of the LORD, died there in the land of Moab, at the LORD's command. ⁶He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. ⁷Moses was one-hundred twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigor had not abated. ⁸The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended.

⁹Joshua 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.

¹⁰Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face. ¹¹He was unequaled 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, ¹²and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

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

Psalm 90:1-6,13-17

¹LORD, you have been our refuge *

from one generation to another.

²Before the mountains were brought forth, or the land and the earth were born, *

from age to age you are God.

³You turn us back to the dust and say, *

"Go back, O child of earth."

⁴For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past * and like a watch in the night.

⁵You sweep us away like a dream; * we fade away suddenly like the grass.

⁶In the morning it is green and flourishes; * in the evening it is dried up and withered.

¹³Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry? *

be gracious to your servants.

- ¹⁴Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; * so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.
- ¹⁵Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us * and the years in which we suffered adversity.
- ¹⁶Show your servants your works * and your splendor to their children.
- ¹⁷May the graciousness of the LORD our God be upon us; * prosper the work of our hands;

prosper our handiwork.

Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

¹You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, ²but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. ³For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, ⁴but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. ⁵As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; ⁶nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, ¬though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. ⁵So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

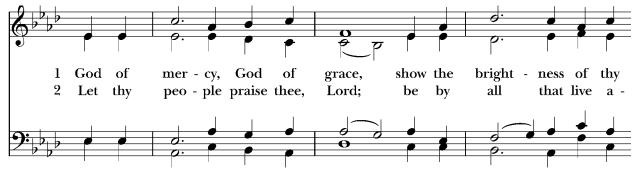
Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God**.

All stand as they are able.

Sequence Hymn

God of mercy, God of grace

Hymnal 538





Holy Gospel Matthew 22:34-46

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew. People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

³⁴When the Pharisees heard that [Jesus] had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, ³⁵and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. ³⁶"Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" ³⁷He said to him, ""You shall love the

Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' ³⁸This is the greatest and first commandment. ³⁹And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' ⁴⁰On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

⁴¹Now while the Pharisees were gathered together,

Jesus asked them this question: 42"What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." 43He said to them, "How is it then that David

by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,

44'The Lord said to my Lord,

"Sit at my right hand,

until I put your enemies under your feet"?

⁴⁵If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" ⁴⁶No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

All stand as they are able.

Nicene Creed

Presider Let us affirm the faith of the Church using the words of the Nicene Creed:

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,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary

and became truly human.

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,

who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who 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.

All remain standing as they are able.

Prayers of the People

Deacon As a people entrusted by God with the proclamation of good news, let us offer our prayers and thanksgivings, responding, "Lord, hear our prayer."

Intercessor That we may love our neighbor as ourselves, sacrificing personal comforts to provide shelter for the poor, sound education for all children, psychiatric care for those suffering from mental illness, living wages to employees, and respite for all who attend to those living with illness; let us pray. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Silence is kept.

That our personal trials may be seen as pathways to faithfulness, roads upon which we walk in order to gain a deeper understanding of God's enduring love; let us pray. Lord, hear our prayer.

Silence is kept.

That peace may reign throughout the world, loosening the chains of incessant poverty, political imprisonment, religious persecution, and the abuse of power that raises a few to prosperity at the expense of the masses; let us pray. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Silence is kept.

That we may do the work and ministry that reflect God's reign, knowing that we may not see beyond our offerings or the fruit of our labors; let us pray. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Silence is kept.

For a renewed commitment to righteousness and peace, that we may join with the leaders of the nations in seeking ways to promote harmony in warring lands, and mutual respect across cultures, races, and languages; let us pray. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Silence is kept.

That we may put aside any vengeance of heart, so that we may offer to one another true forgiveness and amendment of ways; let us pray. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Silence is kept.

In companionship with those who have died, [especially ______] and with all the saints, let us continue our prayers. We pray for our Bishops Bonnie, Michael, Justin, Julio, Moises, Elizabeth, Donald and Craig. We pray for all ministers, priests, deacons, ministry teams, those in formation; and our brothers and sisters worshipping at Church of the Messiah, Detroit, St Luke's, Ferndale; and Church of the Redeemer, Barahone, and St John the Evangelist, Peidra Blanca, in the Dominican Republic.

We add to these prayers those who are sick, unhappy, lonely or bereft, [especially_____], that they may be healed and comforted, let us pray. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Silence is kept.

In thanksgiving for [_____ and] all God's gifts to us, let us pray. Lord, hear our prayer.

Silence is kept.

Almighty God, by whose grace all worldly leaders exercise power, help politicians and voters move through this election season with respect and dignity. Bless all who are vying for political office with clarity and transparency in their campaigns and give voters openness and diligence in casting their ballots. Help us keep perspective that we may be firm in our convictions, kind and respectful to those who vote differently, and ever mindful that how we treat others is how we treat you. This we ask of the One who is Lord over every election, Jesus Christ. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Silence is kept.

Presider In union, O Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, we desire to offer our praise and thanksgiving. We present to you our souls and bodies, with the earnest wish that we may always be united to you. And if we cannot now receive you sacramentally, we beseech you to come spiritually into our hearts. We unite ourselves to you, and embrace you with all the affections of our souls. Let nothing ever separate us from you. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

The Presider says

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:8, 9

The Deacon then says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

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.

The Priest stands and says

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

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Presider then says

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High. *Psalm 50:14*

Holy Communion

How the Holy Communion is prepared

The Officiant, Deacon, other Eucharistic Ministers, and any participating Acolytes must wash their hands, or use hand sanitizer, before celebrating and before distribution. Gloves will not be used.

The Officiant alone will bring the bread and wine from the credence table to the Altar at the time of the offertory. All of the elements for Holy Communion will be placed on the Altar for the Eucharistic Prayer.

The Officiant alone stands at the altar, with others 6 feet or more away.

The **priest's wafer and chalice** will be uncovered in front of the officiant during the Eucharistic Prayer. They **are for the officiant alone**. They are consumed entirely by the officiant, or appropriately disposed of after the service.

The priest's wafer and the people's wafers will be kept separate at all times. The **people's** wafers will be a container on the Altar, which will remain covered throughout the Eucharistic Prayer. During consecration, the Officiant will touch the container, not the wafers.

The **distribution** of consecrated wine is not permitted at this time (as of June 19, 2020 Diocese of Michigan directive).

How the Holy Communion will be distributed

Everyone distributing communion will use hand sanitizer before they begin distribution. Gloves will not be used.

Communicants will be encouraged to use hand sanitizer before receiving. Hand sanitizer will be available in each pew.

The bread will be distributed at the communion rail, while maintaining six feet of distance between households. The people will be directed forward to receive.

Masks must continue to be worn during the distribution of communion. Communicants should only lift their mask and consume the bread when they are back in their pews, or at least six feet **away from** the distribution point.

The Minister will place the bread in the hand. The distribution will happen without directly touching the hand of the person receiving. Hand-to-mouth distribution is not permitted. If hand-to-hand contact happens, the minister will re-sanitize.

If a blessing is preferred, the blessing will be given without touch.

The people stand as a minister brings forward the alms basin.

Offertory Hymn

Doxology

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, you heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. The people remain standing.

Great Thanksgiving

Presider The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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

For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

Holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The people continue to stand, or kneel as they are able.

The Presider continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also + that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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**.

The Presider then continues

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

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 forever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

The Presider says

We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

The Presider says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The Deacon then says

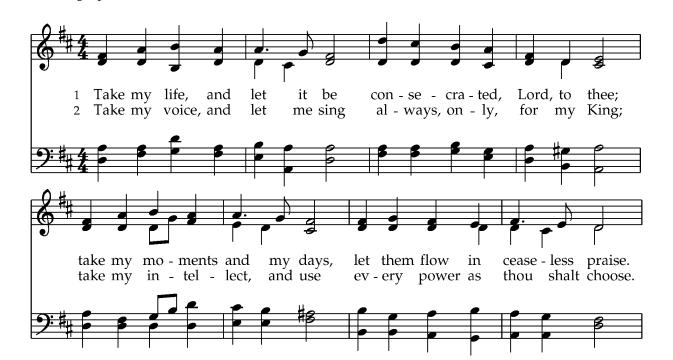
Christ makes himself known to us in the breaking of bread.
He offers us his body broken for our sake and his blood shed for the forgiveness of our sins.
We accept his promises and gifts and depend on his life to sustain ours.
In turn we offer ourselves in thanksgiving to the risen Lord who has conquered death.

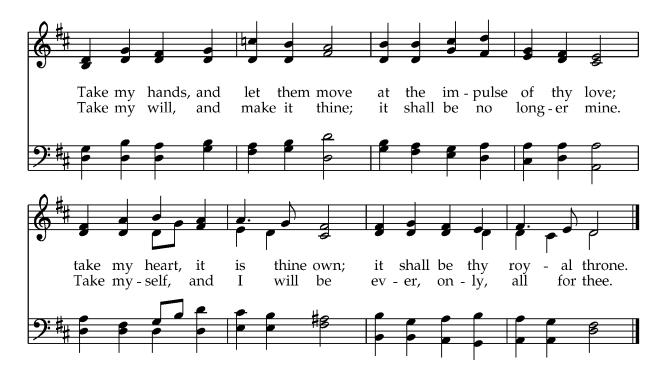
The Presider continues

So we celebrate his victory here and now and anticipate the joyous feast in his coming kingdom. United around your sacrament, we receive strength and courage to continue our pilgrimage with God in the world.

Communion Hymn *Take my life, and let it be*

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After Communion, the Presider says

Let us pray.

Presider and People

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of Christ, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Blessing

The priest blesses the people, saying

Go into the world, and know how much a tired and hurting world needs your strength and gladness. For there are deeds of compassion and courage that will never be done, unless you do them; and words of hope and healing that will never be spoken,

unless you speak them.

And the blessing of God Almighty, + the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen**.

Concluding Hymn

Chorus Book 69

Sister, brother, let me serve you



Sis- ter, bro-ther, let me serve you. Let me be as Christ to you; We are pil-grims on a jour-ney, fel-low trav'lers on the road. I will weep when you are weeping. When you laugh, I'll laugh with you.



pray that I might have the grace to let you be my serv- ant, too. We are here to help each oth- er walk the mile and bear the load. I will share your joy and sor-row 'til we've seen this jour-ney through.



Dismissal

Deacon My brothers and my sisters, let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the

power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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REGARDING OFFERINGS TO ST. BARNABAS CHURCH

To make an offering to St Barnabas, please mail your check to the church: 20500 W Old US-12, Chelsea MI 48118-1309. Mail is being collected daily.

CONTINUING OUR DONATIONS OF FOOD AND FUNDS TO FAITH IN ACTION

Faith in Action is providing leadership in collecting donations to support households in need in the Chelsea and Dexter areas.

Needed right now: Shelf-stable groceries and financial donations; cleaning products and personal products are always needed, as these items cannot be purchased with food stamps. You may bring your donations to FIA, or to Nancy who will see that they get there. **If you bring food directly to FIA**, please let Nancy know, so she can continue to keep our records of donation. **Food will also be collected at the church on November 15, the next BC meeting date. The building will be open for you to leave your donations on the table.**

Donations to help us combat the continuing effects of the pandemic can be made by PayPal at www.faithinaction1.org, by Facebook, or by mailing a check to Faith in Action, 603 S. Main Street, Chelsea MI 48118. If you need help, please call FIA at (734) 475-3305

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Enrichment for Our Spiritual Journey



The Way of Love material can be found here: https://episcopalchurch.org/way-of-love

Join St Barnabas' twice-weekly Zoom check-in! Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. Contact Marion if you need **the NEW LINK.**

Watch Washington National Cathedral's live-streamed Eucharist and Daily Office services, https://cathedral.org/calendar/

Join in a short, weekly, meditation with Presiding Bishop Curry here: https://episcopalchurch.org/habits-of-grace

Watch Bishop Bonnie Perry's sermons, https://www.edomi.org/whatshesaid/sermons/

Upcoming Commemorations

- Oct. 25 Tabitha/Dorcas of Joppa
 - 26 Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Scholar & Social Reformer, 1902; and, Alfred the Great, King of the West Saxons, 899
 - 28 Simon and Jude, Apostles
 - 29 James Hannington, Bishop of Eastern Equatorial Africa, and his Companions, Martyrs, 1885
 - 30 John Wycliffe, Priest and Prophetic Witness, 1384
 - Paul Shinji Sasaki, Bishop of Mid-Japan, and of Tokyo, 1946; and, Philip Lindel Tsen, Bishop of Honan, China, 1954

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Opening Hymn text by Webber, Christopher . *A new metrical Psalter*. New York: Church Publishing, 1986, p.142. Tune "Azmon" at *Hymnal* #493, in the public domain

Prayer for Politicians and Voters from churchnext.tv

Concluding prayer at the Intercessions adapted from *The Armed Forces Prayer Book*, 1951.

Invitation to the Table from https://www.presbyterianmission.org/resource/bcr-132/ Accessed 12 June 2019



October 25, 2020 – Pentecost 21 A United Nations Day

The United Nations celebrates its seventy-fifth anniversary on October 24, 2020. On this date in 1945, the UN was born when the United Nations Charter came into force. 75 years later, the UN remains the

world's most broadly representative forum for peacemaking and dialogue on many global issues. It gathers 193 nations and many specialized agencies focused on international peace and security, human rights, international law, humanitarian assistance and sustainable development.

Why should Episcopalians care about United Nations Day?

First, it is a day to remember and celebrate the ways in which Episcopalians have been involved with the UN since its founding. For example, Episcopalian Eleanor Roosevelt was part of the first United States delegation to the United Nations, the first chair of the UN Commission on Human Rights, and helped draft the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. We continue this legacy by taking our rightful places in dreaming and building a better and more peaceful



world with the UN.

Second, it is a day to recall that UN action is one way by which Episcopalians uphold our Baptismal Covenant promises to "seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving our neighbors as ourselves," and "strive for justice and peace among all people." Engaging with the UN helps equip Episcopalians in responding to Jesus, who calls us to care for our world, heal the sick, welcome the stranger, feed the hungry, serve the poor, and proclaim good news to the captives and the oppressed.

Episcopalians have expertise to offer, stories to tell, voices to amplify and resources and services to share. Episcopalians in local parishes and dioceses inform, educate, raise awareness and develop local programs, and commemorate UN international observances. They work in peace building, justice and reconciliation, eradicating poverty, and supporting human development through the Sustainable Development Goals, adapting to climate change and protecting the environment, ensuring food security, protecting human rights, empowering women and girls, supporting the rights and dignity of indigenous peoples – and more.

Finally, on United Nations Day we can join in praying for the UN and all countries of the world, using the *Prayer for Peace Among the Nations* in our Book of Common Prayer:

Almighty God our heavenly Father, guide the nations of the world into the way of justice and truth, and establish among them that peace which is the fruit of righteousness, that they may become the kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

THE GREATEST COMMANDMENT? IT'S SIMPLE BUT NOT EASY. IT'S ONE THING BUT IT'S REALLY TWO ANY QUESTIONS?

Our Mission:

We seek to grow as diverse disciples
of Jesus Christ,
and to serve Jesus
by serving others in the world,
guided by the values of
Ancient Rites,
Open Minds,
and Affirming Hearts.

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