

Holy Eucharist

November 14, 2021

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The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 28B

Prelude

Announcements

Opening Hymn

Hymnal 433

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing

1 We gath - er to - geth - er to ask the Lord's bless - ing;
2 Be - side us to guide us, our God with us join - ing,
3 We all do ex - tol thee, thou lead - er tri - um - phant,
he chas - tens and has - tens his will to make known;
or - dain - ing, main - tain - ing his king - dom di - vine;
and pray that thou still our de - fend - er wilt be.

the wick - ed op - press - ing now cease from dis - tress - ing:
 so from the be - gin - ning the fight we were win - ning:
 Let thy con - gre - ga - tion es - cape trib - u - la - tion:

sing prais - es to his Name; he for - gets not his own.
 thou, Lord, wast at our side: all glo - ry be thine!
 thy Name be ev - er praised! O Lord, make us free!

All standing as they are able, the Presider says

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

People **And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Presider begins 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.**

The following is sung, all standing as they are able

Glory to God

Gloria in excelsis

Glo - ry to God in the high - estand

14 peace to God's peo - ple, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth. Lord God, heavenly
 19 King, Al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we
 25 praise you for your glo-ry. Lord, Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the
 31 Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God. You take a - way all the sin of the
 36 world. Have mer - cy on us. You are seat - ed at the right hand of the
 43 Fa - ther. Re - ceive our prayer. For you a-lone are the
 48 Ho - ly One. You a-lone are the Lord. You a - lone are the Most High
 51 Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the
 glo - ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men, A - men.

Collect of the Day

Presider God be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Presider Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

All sit.

The Lessons

First Reading

1 Samuel 1:4-20

A Reading from the First book of Samuel.

On the day when Elkanah sacrificed, he would give portions to his wife Peninnah and to all her sons and daughters; but to Hannah he gave a double portion, because he loved her, though the Lord had closed her womb. Her rival used to provoke her severely, to irritate her, because the Lord had closed her womb. So it went on year by year; as often as she went up to the house of the Lord, she used to provoke her. Therefore, Hannah wept and would not eat. Her husband Elkanah said to her, "Hannah, why do you weep? Why do you not eat? Why is your heart sad? Am I not more to you than ten sons?" After they had eaten and drunk at Shiloh, Hannah rose and presented herself before the Lord.

Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the Lord. Hannah was deeply distressed and prayed to the Lord, and wept bitterly. She made this vow: "O Lord of hosts, if only you will look on the misery of your servant, and remember me, and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a male child, then I will set him before you as a nazirite until the day of his death. He shall drink neither wine nor intoxicants, and no razor shall touch his head." As she continued praying before the Lord, Eli observed her mouth. Hannah was praying silently; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard; therefore, Eli thought she was drunk. So Eli said to her, "How long will you make a drunken spectacle of yourself? Put away your wine." But Hannah answered, "No, my lord, I am a woman deeply troubled; I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I have been pouring out my soul before the Lord. Do not regard your servant as a worthless woman, for I have been speaking out of my great anxiety and vexation all this time." Then Eli answered, "Go in peace; the God of Israel grant the petition you have made to him." And she said, "Let your servant find favor in your sight." Then the woman went to her quarters, ate and drank with her husband, and her countenance was sad no

longer. They rose early in the morning and worshiped before the Lord; then they went back to their house at Ramah. Elkanah knew his wife Hannah, and the Lord remembered her. In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, "I have asked him of the Lord."

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle C: The Song of Hannah

*Women to begin the reading, with the men **responding with the bold font text.***

My heart exults in you, O God; *

my triumph song is lifted in you.

My mouth derides my enemies, *

for I rejoice in your salvation.

There is none holy like you, *

nor any rock to be compared to you, our God.

Do not heap up prideful words or speak in arrogance; *

only God is knowing and weighs all actions.

The weapons of the mighty are broken, *

but the weak are clothed in strength.

Those once full now labor for bread; *

those who hungered now are well fed.

The childless woman finds her life fruitful, *

and the mother of many sits forlorn.

God destroys and brings to life, casts down and raises up; *

gives wealth or takes it away, humbles and dignifies.

God raises the poor from the dust; *

and lifts the needy from the ash heap

to make them sit with rulers *

and inherit a place of honor.

For the pillars of the earth are God's *

on which the whole earth is founded.

God will guide the path of the faithful, *

but the wicked will languish in darkness.

For it is not by human might *

that any mortal will prevail.

The foes of our God will be shattered; *

the Most High will thunder through the heavens.

The Almighty will judge the earth to its ends *

and will give strength to the ruler of God's own choosing.

Second Reading

Hebrews 10:11-25

A Reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, “he sat down at the right hand of God,” and since then has been waiting “until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.” For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified.

And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying, “This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds,” he also adds, “I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.” Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

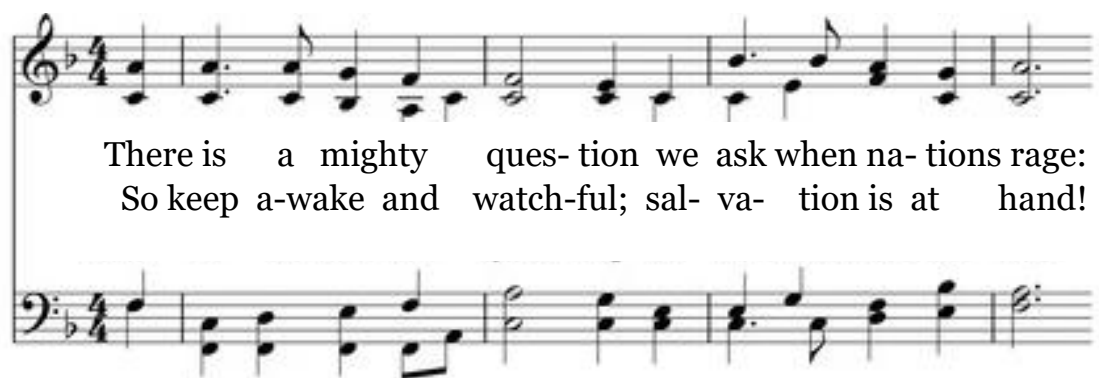
Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn

Tune: *Angel's Story*

There is a mighty question





just when will be Christ's coming, the end- ing of the age?
Our hope is in Christ Je- sus, and by God's grace we stand.

Take care, said Je- sus clear- ly, for man- y will ap- pear;
The night is al-most o- ver, we wait for God's new day,

they'll claim to be Mes- si- ah, yet peo-ple should not fear.
and through the Ho- ly Spi- rit, we fol- low Je- sus' way.

Holy Gospel

Mark 13:1-8

All stand as they are able.

*Gospeller
People*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As Jesus came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down." When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be



accomplished?” Then Jesus began to say to them, “Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.”

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sermon

Nicene Creed

All stand as they are able.

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.**

Prayers of the People

All remain standing.

Presider: Holy God, our hearts exult in you as we present ourselves in your Temple to perform our vows and pour out our prayers in earnest supplication: Hear the petitions of your servants that we may find favor in your sight as we pray: Our heart exults in you, O God; our triumph song is lifted in you.

Intercessor You have given your people the confidence to come before you through the new and living way that Jesus Christ has opened for us. Grant your Church grace to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together but encouraging one another in Christ. We pray for our bishops Bonnie, Michael, Justin, Moises, Elizabeth, Donald and Craig, all ministers, priests, deacons, ministry teams, those in formation; and our brothers and sisters worshipping at St Andrew's and St Margaret's, Santo Domingo, in the Dominican Republic. My heart exults in you, O God; **my triumph song is lifted in you.**

Silence is kept.

Illumine the minds of the leaders of the world with the wisdom that does not heap up prideful words or speak in arrogance. Help us to remember that the future is in your hands and hidden from human view, so that we might place our faith less in our clouded understanding than in your divine guidance. My heart exults in you, O God; **my triumph song is lifted in you.**

Silence is kept.

In this time of wars and rumors of war, earthquake and famine, and of nation rising against nation, we pray for the welfare of the world and for the faith to see that these troubles are but the birthpangs of your coming kingdom of peace. My heart exults in you, O God; **my triumph song is lifted in you.**

Silence is kept.

Put your laws in the hearts of this community, and write them on our minds, that we may approach one another with true hearts in full assurance of faith. My heart exults in you, O God; **my triumph song is lifted in you.**

Silence is kept.

You raise the poor from the dust and lift the needy from the ash heap: Hear our prayers for those sick or troubled, who call to you [especially_____].

With a glad heart we give thanks [especially for _____].

We commend to you those who have departed before us [especially _____]. Help us to remember that in love, all of us, those here and those gone before us, rest in hope. My heart exults in you, O God; **my triumph song is lifted in you.**

Presider: Loving God, you have inscribed your holy will upon our hearts and minds: Grant us grace to hold fast to the confession of our hope, without wavering, in the assurance of your faithfulness, through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

The Presider says

Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. *Hebrews 4:14,16*

A minister then says

Let us confess our sins to God.

A period of silence is observed.

Minister and People together say

**God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.**

**Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.**

A 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.**

Peace

All stand as they are able.

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 People then are seated.

Holy Communion

The Presider then says

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

How the Holy Communion is prepared

The Presider, 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 Presider 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 Presider 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 Presider during the Eucharistic Prayer. They **are for the Presider alone**. They are consumed entirely by the Presider, 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 Presider 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 at the service.

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The people will come to the Altar rail as they are able. 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 they are able 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 heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

The people remain standing.

The Presider says

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 our thanks and praise.

Faithful and abiding God, we give you thanks and praise, for from the foundation of the world, you sought to bring us into covenant relationship with you. You created us to enjoy you and one another; you called Abraham to lead a family in your ways, and through Moses you liberated your people to be your companions forever.

After those days, you promised to put your laws in our hearts, and write them in our minds, and to remember our sins no more.

In Jesus, our great high priest, you opened a new and living way into your presence, to share eternal communion with you.

And so with saints and angels and all the company of heaven, we sing the praise of your unending glory.

Sanctus

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

might, ————— Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of power and might, ————— hea - ven and earth are

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Presider continues

Inviting God, you bring us to your table, meeting true hearts that yearn to come before you with full assurance of faith.

Give us a double portion of your Spirit, that we may glow with the radiance of your glory.

Through the power of that same Holy Spirit, bless this bread and this cup, that they may be for us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

who, at the table with his disciples, took bread,
gave you thanks, broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying,

"Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me."
After they had eaten, he took the cup.

Again he gave you thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying,

"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.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Presider continues

Completing and perfecting God, in your Son's cross you took on the grief and failure of the world, and in his resurrection you dismantled the power of sin and death. Look with mercy on all your people whose longings are unmet. When your children plead for the chance to be creative, productive, or nurturing, give them gentleness, fulfillment, and purpose.

When your people yearn to bring joy into the life of others, comfort to the afflicted, or trust to the wounded, give them courage, wisdom, and patience.

When your kingdom seems far off, strengthen your church to wait with faith and hope and love, until the day when you are all in all, one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
AMEN.

The Presider then says

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now 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 for ever. Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

The Presider says

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

These are the Gifts of God.
And we are the people of God.

And in union and solidarity with your faithful people
who are not able to be present at this table, we pray together:

**Strengthen and sustain us with your grace, Lord Christ,
and let us never be separated from you.**

Come spiritually into all of our hearts, Lord Christ.

**May we live in you, and you in us, in this life, and in the life to come.
Amen.**

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

After Communion, the Presider says

Let us pray.

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Blessing

A priest blesses the people, saying

You are the body of Christ.

May you have the heart of Christ, tender for mercy.

May you have the eyes of Christ to see a world in need.

May you have the feet of Christ to bring good news.

And may the blessing of the Holy One who made you,

✠Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer be with you today and always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

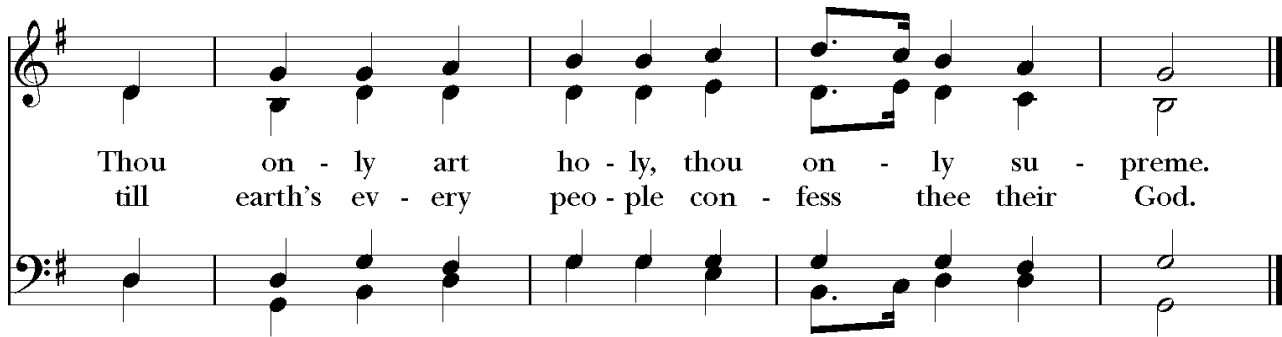
Hymnal 533

How wondrous and great

1 How won - drous and of great thy works, God of praise!
2 To na - tions of earth thy light shall be shown;

How just, King of saints, and true are thy ways!
their wor - ship and vows shall come to thy throne:

O who shall not fear thee, and hon - or thy Name?
thy truth and thy judg - ments shall spread all a - broad,



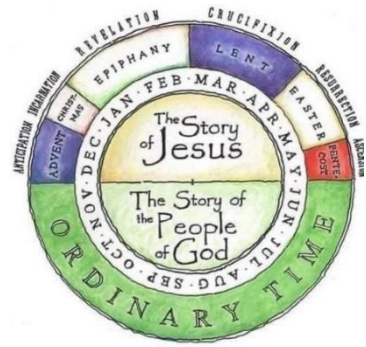
Dismissal

A minister says

And now, my siblings in Christ, I bid you go in peace
to love and serve our Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Postlude



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CONTINUING OUR DONATIONS OF FOOD AND FUNDS TO FAITH IN ACTION

Faith in Action provides leadership in collecting donations to support households in need in the Chelsea and Dexter areas. They are in need of our continuing help. 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. If you write a check, please make it to *Faith In Action*. The **next Food Drive at the church** will be **Sunday, November 21**. Please leave your donations at the church on that day.

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A reminder that our Social Time is still active every Tuesday evening from 7:00-7:30 on Zoom! The link can be found on the church web site calendar, and also here:

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Upcoming Commemorations

- November 14 The Consecration of Samuel Seabury, 1784
15 Francis Asbury, 1816, and George Whitefield, 1770, Evangelists
16 Margaret of Scotland, Queen, 1093
17 Hugh, 1200; and, Robert Grosseteste, 1253, Bishops of Lincoln
18 Hilda of Whitby, Abbess, 680
19 Elizabeth of Hungary, Princess, 1231
20 Edmund, King, 870

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Proper 28 B November 14, 2021

1 Samuel 2:1-10

In this ecstatic, prophetic and powerful song we witness a woman's joy from experiencing a miracle. Her words are familiar, we hear similar ones erupt from the mouth of Mary when she too conceives a special child. In a world colored with grey areas, it can be difficult to say with certainty – This is from God! This is from the touch of the Spirit!

- When have you been able to say “the Almighty has done great things for me?”
- When have you (or someone you know) experienced a miracle?
- In our world we may have heard others tell us what is or is not from God. How do you discern when the Spirit has touched you or your community in a special way?

1 Samuel 1:4-20

Hannah can hardly pray without getting harassed! For her infertility she is mocked; for her prayers she is called a drunkard. “I am a woman deeply troubled,” she asserts, as she pours out her “great anxiety and vexation” (1 Sam. 1:15-16).

- What prayers and anxieties of today are too stigmatized to bring to the temple?
- What are we too ashamed of to pray for, beyond a whisper?
- Women's health has often been mythologized, ill-funded and provoked to cast to shame. Many of us have been touched by miscarriage, unwanted pregnancy and infertility. The God of Hannah calls us to cry out when our communities, partners, or Church shame, stigmatize and mock the anxieties of our hearts. In this passage we see a testimony that God is a God of hope, transformation and solidarity – who is with us in whatever trial we find ourselves in?

Hebrews 10:11-14

This section of Hebrews has a clear message for us: Jesus' sacrifice was unique a “single offering” (Heb. 10:14). We are confronted with an analogy of Jesus' singular and special sacrifice made for sinners.

- How have you experienced the sacrificial and healing love of Jesus?
- Perhaps in the Eucharist or perhaps in your own experience of sin and forgiveness?
- How often do we think we can ‘save’ others or ourselves by our own sacrifice, sweat and blood?
- Or reform others through punishment?

We often have a destructive understanding of sin and sacrifice. Many think their own salvation comes from how much they take care of others, forsaking their own wellness. Our understanding of punishment can also carry violent notions of sacrifice. A friend of mine who was incarcerated for years for a minor crime stated that his experience imprisoned was so dehumanizing he felt as though “my very life blood was being squeezed out of me.”

- Where do we personally and socially see dehumanizing sacrifice; where do we need more grace?

Mark 13:1-8

This apocalyptic prophecy from Mark's Gospel calls forth the question: how tied are we to our institutions and the present order? My experience as a human being tells me that I am addicted to comfort. I worship my own sense of safety and control over my life, image and wealth.

- How much does vulnerability scare us?

- How hard do we work to keep the walls of our lives up?

Our passage from Mark though tells us that “all will be thrown down.” As a culture we invest so much in keeping things the same. How many truth-tellers, from Malcolm X to our Lord Jesus Christ, have been executed in a vain attempt to maintain the present order? Our selfishness, addiction to comfort and desire for control guard us from entering into vulnerable spaces of change.

- What if instead of acting on our instinct to protect the walls that we construct, we acted first out of love?
- How would we be willing to change to accommodate refugees fleeing terror and violence?
- Instead of worshiping the idols of our institutional walls and status quo, let be transformed by the God of change and love, for indeed, “all things will be thrown down.”

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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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