

## PALMER MEMORIAL EPISCOPAL CHURCH HOUSTON, TEXAS

Our mission is to know and share the love of Jesus Christ

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Welcome





Giving

## The Word of God

Louis Vierne Prelude: Prélude, Op. 31 (v) Opening Hymn 533 "How wondrous and great thy works, God of praise!" Lyons How wondrous and great To nations of earth thy works, God of praise! thy light shall be shown; How just, King of saints, their worship and vows and true are thy ways! shall come to thy throne: O who shall not fear thee, thy truth and thy judgments shall spread all abroad, and honor thy Name? Thou only art holy, thou only supreme. till earth's every people confess thee their God.

CelebrantBlessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.PeopleAnd blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

Gloria in excelsis (Hymnal S-202)

*Cantor* Glory be to God on high,

People and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and all the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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#### The Lessons

First Reading . . . . . . Jonah 3:1-5, 10

The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, "Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Psalm 62:6-14

For God alone my soul in silence waits;
truly, my hope is in him.
He alone is my rock and my salvation,
my stronghold, so that I shall not be shaken.
In God is my safety and my honor;
God is my strong rock and my refuge.
Put your trust in him always, O people,
pour out your hearts before him, for God is our refuge.
Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath,
even those of low estate cannot be trusted.
On the scales they are lighter than a breath,
all of them together.
Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride;
though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.
God has spoken once, twice have I heard it,
that power belongs to God.
Steadfast love is yours, O Lord,
for you repay everyone according to his deeds.

Plainchant

Gospel Re	ding	Mark 1:14-20
Priest	The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.	

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

After John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

PriestThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise be to thee, O Christ.

## The Sermon

The Rev'd Neil Willard, Rector

#### The Nicene Creed

Celebrant We believe in one God, People 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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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.

## The Prayers of the People

Father, we pray for thy holy Catholic Church; That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; That thy Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; That they may be faithful ministers of thy Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; especially Joe, President of the United States; Greg, Governor of Texas; and Sylvester, Mayor of Houston; That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; That our works may find favor in thy sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; especially those across the street in the Texas Medical Center;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise thee for thy saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in thy heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

After the People have added their own petitions, the Celebrant says

Lord, hear the prayers of thy people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **Confession of Sin**

The Celebrant says

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence is kept.

Celebrant Most merciful God,

People we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done,

and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved thee with our whole heart;

we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

#### The Priest stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem: O Lord, we sing Thy praise

O Lord, we sing Thy praise with shouts of jubilation, And with the angel host sing songs of exultation; Thy name is praised and sung by all the Christian race: All praise be to our God throughout all time and space.

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The Doxology Hymnal 380, verse 3

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 Great Thanksgiving



It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, creator of the light and source of life, because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, thou hast caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of thy glory in the face of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Johann Sebastian Bach

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All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we

and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. AMEN.

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

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

## The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.



## The Peace

CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd with thy spirit.

*The Celebrant says the following Invitation* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The term "Spiritual Communion" has been used historically to describe how a person, prevented for some serious reason from sharing in a celebration of the Eucharist, nonetheless shares in the communion of Jesus Christ. In making our communion spiritually, we are joining with Christians everywhere to be nourished by the one who tells us, "I am the Bread of Life."

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in this Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you today. Since I cannot at this moment receive you in bread and wine made holy food, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace you and unite myself wholly to you. Never let me be separated from you. Amen.

# *After communion, the Celebrant says* Let us pray.

Celebrant Almighty and everliving God,

- *People* we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.
- *Celebrant* The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

CelebrantLet us go forth in the name of Christ.PeopleThanks be to God.

#### Closing Hymn 661 "They cast their nets in Galilee" (1 & 4)

Georgetown

They cast their nets in Galilee Just off the hills of brown; Such happy, simple fisher-folk, Before the Lord came down.

Postlude: Carillon, Op. 31 (xxi)

The peace of God, it is no peace, But strife closed in the sod. Yet let us pray for but one thing– The marvelous peace of God.

Louis Vierne

#### VESTRY AND DIOCESAN COUNCIL NOMINEES

#### **Vestry Nominees**

(Five persons are to be elected to serve three-year terms, 2021-2024.)

David Andrew Candler Lam Yu Melanie Ballard Fahey David Landis John Asbury Fields Danna Joy Kurtin James Thayer Rosenbach Adaline Posey Martinez Saenz Alexandra Sullivan Doan Thomas A. Jackson

#### Lay Delegate Nominees

(Two persons are to be elected to serve two-year terms, 2021-2022, and two persons will serve as Alternate Delegates for one-year terms, 2021.)\*

Jeffrey J. Dieter William Robertson Michael J. Massey Catherine Price Beebe Denise Allen Zwicker Thomas K. Golden

The Annual Meeting will take place on Zoom on January 24.

\*The Parish sends four Lay Delegates to Diocesan Council each year. Pamela Harvey and Suzanne Miller, Palmer's two Lay Delegates elected in 2020, will complete their two-year terms with their service in 2021.

## TOGETHER, WE PRAY

#### Please Pray for the Following Individuals

Names remain on the list for two Sundays unless the request is renewed by contacting one of the coordinators of our Pastoral Care Ministry: Ruth Davies at rmmdavies@cebridge.net for Palmers or Šuzie Dennis at sdennis@ palmerchurch.org for non-Palmers.

The Ahrens Family Georgia Barton Suzanne Brooks Carlos Ragna Case Carmen Brassfield Conaway Elizabeth Chapin Tina & Ricky Cruz Curtis Daniel Darlene Dittoe Penny Driggers Julian Gascoyne Christopher M. Hansen Keith Herrin Juanita Hill Gabriel Hill

Courtney, Peter, & Graham Holcomb Bill & Sheila Ryan David Lapp Marcos de Souza Lima Bob London Io Lyday Charlotte McClain Michael McKinley Hashim Musa Carol Oden Yamy Lec Perez Harry Powe Jennifer Rabb Maria de Nazare & Michele Rios Clare Ritzi Wendy Robertson Larry Root

The Rev'd Marcia Sadbury Sandy, Julian, Nick, Snyder Susan Shivers Roxane & Michael Short Phyllis & Ed Svrcek Catherine Thompson & Family Mary Tobin Donna Waldron Mimi & Kim Lopez-Waymer Brooke Wilson Sorell Williamson

For the departed: Peggy Port

#### Please Pray for Expectant Households

The Fender and Simmons (International Adoption) families

Those expecting a child by birth or adoption are encouraged to contact Roger Hutchison at rwhutchison@palmerchurch.org.

#### Please Pray for Those in the Armed Forces

Evan Adams Nathan Adam Michael Anderson Gaston Baza Travis Chambers John Harrison Connor Hurt

Jarrett Johnson Christopher Kent James King Mike Martinez Nate Miller Andrew Nesom Harrison Power

Jim Rosenbach Adam Salvati Matthew Van Arsdale Ashley Waddle Alex Walker Taylor Wilby Caleb Woodburn