TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
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Prelude

Processional Hymn  
*How Wonderful and Great*  *Hymn 533*  (p. 9 leaflet)

Opening Acclamation

*Presider*  Blessed be the One, Holy, and Living God.

*People*  Glory to God forever and 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.*

Hymn of Praise

*Dosher Mass*

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;
   you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
   you alone are the Lord,
   you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father, *Amen.*

The Collect of the Day

*Presider*  God be with you.

*People*  *And also with you.*

*Presider*  Let us pray.

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.  *Amen.*

The Word of God

**The First Lesson: Exodus 1:8-2:10**

Now a new king arose over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. He said to his people, “Look, the Israelite people are more numerous and more powerful than we. Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, or they will increase and, in the event of war, join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land.” Therefore they set taskmasters over them to oppress them with forced labor.
They built supply cities, Pithom and Rameses, for Pharaoh. But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread, so that the Egyptians came to dread the Israelites. The Egyptians became ruthless in imposing tasks on the Israelites, and made their lives bitter with hard service in mortar and brick and in every kind of field labor. They were ruthless in all the tasks that they imposed on them.

The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, “When you act as midwives to the Hebrew women, and see them on the birthstool, if it is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, she shall live.” But the midwives feared God; they did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but they let the boys live. So the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and said to them, “Why have you done this, and allowed the boys to live?” The midwives said to Pharaoh, “Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women; for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them.” So God dealt well with the midwives; and the people multiplied and became very strong. And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families. Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, “Every boy that is born to the Hebrews you shall throw into the Nile, but you shall let every girl live.”

Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him, “This must be one of the Hebrews’ children,” she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh’s daughter, “Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?” Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, “Yes.” So the girl went and called the child’s mother. Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, “Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.” So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh’s daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, “because,” she said, “I drew him out of the water.”

*Lector* The word of God for the people of God.  
*People* Thanks be to God.

**Psalm 124** *(Pray in unison)*  
1 If the Lord had not been on our side, let Israel now say;  
2 If the Lord had not been on our side, when enemies rose up against us;  
3 Then would they have swallowed us up alive in their fierce anger toward us;  
4 Then would the waters have overwhelmed us and the torrent gone over us;  
5 Then would the raging waters have gone right over us.  
6 Blessed be the Lord! he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.
7 We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler; the snare is broken, and we have escaped.

8 Our help is in the Name of the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth.

The Second Lesson: Romans 12:1-8
I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God-- what is good and acceptable and perfect.

For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

Reader The word of God for the people of God

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken Hymn 522 (p. 10&11 leaflet)

The Gospel Proclamation

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (16:13-20)

People Glory to you, O Christ.

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.” And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, O Christ.

The Homily

The Rev. Karen A. Calafat

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:  
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,  
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.

The Prayers of the People

Presider In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;  
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;  
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;  
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;  
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;  
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.
For Michael. our Presiding Bishop, and Scott, our Bishop; and all bishops and other ministers;  
**For all who serve God in his Church.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.  
*Silence for People to add their own petitions*

Hear us, Lord;  
**For your mercy is great.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.  
*Silence for people to add their own thanksgivings*

We will exalt you, O God our King;  
**And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.  
*Silence for People to add their own petitions*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;  
**Who put their trust in you.**

*Celebrant* We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.  
**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.

*Presider* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of 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 Christ be always with you.  
*People* And also with you.

**THE OFFERTRY**

*Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. Eph. 5:2*

**The Holy Communion**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

*Eucharistic Prayer A*

*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 our thanks and praise.**
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.**
**Hosanna in the highest.**
**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**
**Hosanna in the highest.**

*The People stand or kneel as able, then the Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious God: 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 Creator 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 God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ’s 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 Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever. AMEN.

*Celebrant*  And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, together we pray,

**All**
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.
THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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

THE INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

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.

If you have a consecrated host at home, please join us in sharing communion at this time.
If you do not have a consecrated host at home, join us by sharing spiritual communion with the following prayer.

In union, O Lord, with the faithful of your Church where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, we desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. We present to you our souls and bodies with the earnest wish that we may always be united to you. And since we cannot now receive you sacramentally, we beseech you to come spiritually into our hearts. We unite ourselves with you and embrace you with all the love of our souls. Let nothing ever separate you from us. May we live in you, and may you live in us, both in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

The people stand as able.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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.

THE BLESSING

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier, be upon you and remain with you forever. Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

Priest Let us bless the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Trumpet Tune by Nancy Raabe
The Church's Mission

1 How wondrous and great thy works, God of praise!
2 To nations of earth thy light shall be shown;
How just, King of saints, and true are thy ways!
their worship and vows shall come to thy throne:
O who shall not fear thee, and honor thy Name?
thy truth and thy judgments shall spread all abroad,
Thou only art holy, thou only supreme.
till earth's every people confess thee their God.

Words: Henry Ustick Onderdonk (1759-1858), alt.; para. The Song of the Redeemed
Music: Lyon, att. Johann Michael Haydn (1737-1806)
1 Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion, city
2 See! the streams of living waters, springing from e-
3 Round each habitation hovering, see the cloud and
4 Blest inhabitants of Zion, washed in the Re-
deecher's blood! Whom their souls re-
2 of our God; he whose word cannot be
2 eternal love, well supply thy sons and
2 fire appear for a glorious and a
2 deecher's blood! Jesus, whom their souls re-
ly on, makes them kings and priests to God.
2 broken formed thee for his own abode;
2 daughters and all fear of want remove.
2 covering, showing that the Lord is near.
ly on, makes them kings and priests to God.
"Tis his love his people raise over
on the Rock of Ages founded, what can shake thy
Thus deriving from their banner, light by night, and
"Tis his love his people raise never self to

self to reign: and as priests, his
sure repose? With salvation's walls sur-
thirst assuage? Grace which, like the Lord, the
shade by day, safe they feed up on the
reign as kings: and as priests, his solemn

solemn praises each an offering brings.
rounded, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.
giver, never fails from age to age.
manna which he gives them when they pray.
praises each for a thank-offering brings.

Words: John Nevin (1725-1809). alt.
Music: Anton, from Joseph Haydn (1732-1809); desc. Michael E. Young (c. 1890).