



St. Cross

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Ante-Communion

Holy Cross Day

September 13, 2020

Prelude

Youth Choir

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

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

Hymn

Hymnal 473

Descant



Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim

Refrain



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till all the world a - dore _____ his sa - cred Name.



till all the world _____ a - dore _____ his sa - cred Name.

Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign,
 Each new - born ser - vant of the Cru - ci - fied
 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

the hosts of God in con - quering ranks com - bine.
 bears on the brow the seal of him who died.
 as thou hast prom - ised, draw the world to thee.
 praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry.

Repeat Refrain

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ was lifted high upon the cross that he might draw the whole world to himself: Mercifully grant that we, who glory in the mystery of our redemption, may have grace to take up our cross and follow him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

First Lesson

Philippians 2:5-11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,

but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form,
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,

so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

Psalm 98:1-4

**1 Sing to the Lord a new song, *
for he has done marvelous things.**

**2 With his right hand and his holy arm *
has he won for himself the victory.**

**3 The Lord has made known his victory; *
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.**

**4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, *
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.**

Second Lesson

John 12:31-36a

Jesus said, "Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die. The crowd answered him, "We have heard from the law that the Messiah remains forever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?" Jesus said to them, "The light is with you for a little longer. Walk while you have the light, so that the darkness may not overtake you. If you walk in the darkness, you do not know where you are going. While you have the light, believe in the light, so that you may become children of light."

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

Sermon

The Rt. Rev. Diane M. Jardine Bruce

Anthem

Chancel Choir

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**

Prayers of the People

Intercessor: We glory in God's Name through the offering of our prayers and petitions, responding, 'Hear us, good Lord.'

For the will to discover God's Word dwelling in our hearts, finding expression through our lips, and revealing hope through our generosity. We pray especially for Michael our Presiding Bishop, John and Diane our bishops and for all other ministers of God's Word; let us pray. **Hear us, good Lord.**

For a renewed commitment to righteousness and peace, that we may join with the leaders of all nations in seeking ways to promote harmony and mutual respect across cultures, races, and languages. We pray for our federal, state and local leaders, especially during these times of pandemic and civil unrest; let us pray. **Hear us, good Lord.**

For creative ways to express our faith, drawing upon the jewels of our tradition, and using our hearts and minds to proclaim Christ's message to our neighbors, communities, and to those of little or no faith; let us pray. **Hear us, good Lord.**

For our common life together, may we cease to be a cause of suffering to one another, that we may live so that others are not deprived of air, food, water, shelter or the chance to live; let us pray. **Hear us, good Lord.**

For the many thanksgivings that we have experienced on our journey of faith and life, especially Sara, and the Ministries of the Acolytes, and the Chancel Choir; and we give thanks for medical personnel, may we may lift our voices in praise for their gift of care they give to others; let us pray. **Hear us, good Lord.**

For the sick and those in need of comfort, especially Lawrence C, Judy, Frittz, Rock, Maria, George, Teryn, Cathy, Betty and the Farrand family, Philip, Lawrence F, Stasia, Diane, Virginia; let us pray. **Hear us, good Lord.**

For those who have died and reside in the tomb of death, that Christ, who broke the chains of death, will bring them to eternal life. We pray for Elena, Ray, Nancy, and Holly; let us pray. **Hear us, good Lord.**

Celebrant

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Celebrant and People together

**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 alone 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 Lord's Prayer

Celebrant

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

Celebrant and People

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

Blessing

The priest blesses the people

May the peace of the ocean wave be with you. The peace of the ocean breeze surround you. The peace of the quiet earth be in you. The peace of the night stars cover you. The deep peace of the Son of Peace be always with you. And the blessing of God Almighty, Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer be with you now and always. **Amen.**

Hymn

Hymnal 474

1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross where the young
2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the
3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet sor - row and
4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were an

Prince of Glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I
cross of Christ, my God: all the vain things that
love flow min - gled down! Did e'er such love and
of - fering far too small; love so a - maz - ing,

count but loss, and pour con - tempt on all my pride.
charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

Dismissal

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Postlude

Today's Ministers

Celebrant	The Rev. Rachel Nyback
Preacher	The Rt. Rev. Diane M. Jardine Bruce
Assisting	The Rev. Nathan Biornstad The Rev. Stephen Smith
Deacon	The Rev. Patti Angelo
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