



ST. CLEMENT'S BY-THE-SEA EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE THIRD
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Prelude

“Andante Cantabile from Sonata #8”

**by Ludwig von Beethoven
Larry Gates, music director**

PROCESSIONAL

“I love thy kingdom, Lord”

Amanda Patterson, soprano

Larry Gates, keyboardist

1. I love thy kingdom, Lord,
the house of thine abode,
the Church our blest Redeemer saved
with his own precious blood.

2. For her my tears shall fall;
for her my prayers ascend;
to her my cares and toils be given,
till toils and cares shall end.

3. Beyond my highest joy
I prize her heavenly ways,
her sweet communion, solemn vows,
her hymns of love and praise.

4. Jesus, thou friend divine,
our Savior and our King,
thy hand from every snare and foe
shall great deliverance bring.

5. Sure as thy truth shall last,
to Zion shall be given
the brightest glories earth can yield,
and brighter bliss of heaven.

Words: Timothy Dwight (1725-1817)
Music: St. Thomas (Williams), melody Aaron Williams (1731-1776);
harm. Lowell Mason (1792-1872)

SALUTATION

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

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Amanda Patterson, soprano
Larry Gates, music director

1. Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers;
you are worthy of praise; glory to you.
2. Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name;
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.
3. Glory to you in the splendor of your temple;
on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.
4. Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim;
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

5. Glory to you, beholding the depths;
in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.

6. Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

COLLECT

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON

A reading from the book of the prophet Ezekiel
(17:22-24)

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of a cedar; I will set it out. I will break off a tender one from the topmost of its young twigs; I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. On the mountain height of Israel I will plant it, in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar. Under it every kind of bird will live; in the shade of its branches will nest winged creatures of every kind. All the trees of the field shall know that I am the Lord.

I bring low the high tree, I make high the low tree; I dry up the green tree and make the dry tree flourish. I the Lord have spoken; I will accomplish it.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
Thanks be to God

SEQUENCE HYMN

“Almighty God ,your word is cast”

Brianna Finnell, soprano

Larry Gates, keyboardist

1. Almighty God, your word is cast
like seed upon the ground,
now let the dew of heaven descend
and righteous fruits abound.
2. Let not our selfishness and hate
this holy seed remove,
but give it root in every heart
to bring forth fruits of love.

3. Let not the world's deceitful cares
the rising plant destroy,
but let it yield a hundredfold
the fruits of peace and joy.

Words: John Cawood (1775-1852), alt.

Music: Walden, Jane Manton Marshall (b. 1924)

GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,
according to Saint Mark (4:26-34)

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, “The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.”

He also said, “With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.” With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

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.
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.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

In Christ, God reveals to us steadfast love and invites us into mercy. With grateful hearts, let us respond in prayer, saying: O gracious God, hear our prayer.

That we and all people of faith, and especially the leaders of the church, may know when propriety and even order are overruled by the Spirit and may see the outcast and those considered least to be the true bearers of the Word: O gracious God, **hear our prayer.**

For the capacity to endure suffering with patience and be conformed to the image of Christ, that we may know and proclaim the power of the resurrection: O gracious God, **hear our prayer.**

For the world's people in their brokenness and suffering, and for those who make peace and do justice, that they may be strong and courageous in the face of discouragement and opposition: O gracious God, **hear our prayer.**

For the sick, the lonely, the hungry, the homeless and precariously housed, that mercy and compassion may transform their sorrow into joy: O gracious God, **hear our prayer.**

For the unemployed and for those whose work may be demeaning or be unsafe, that they may find new opportunities for joy and satisfaction:
O gracious God, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those in need of healing: Bob, Mel, Tina, Kevin, Lanneau, and Bill.

In our Parish: Please pray for our Spanish-speaking brothers and sisters in Christ who worship here, especially for Patty Clarke, Diana, Margarita, Tom, Elvira and others who help with our Spanish worship services.

We pray for those who have been deployed:
And all military personnel and their families.

For all who have died, especially those whose witness has strengthened and encouraged us along the way: O gracious God, **hear our prayer.**

God of steadfast love and mercy, hear our prayers, and receive the secret yearnings of our hearts. Grant our petitions in ways that are best for us and for those for whom we pray, and deepen within us an awareness of your mercy and a willingness to follow Christ, in whose name we pray. **Amen.**

CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

ABSOLUTION

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins thorough 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

Jesus said, “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.” We meet in the name of Christ and share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Announcements

Birthdays this week:

Michael Badstubner

Thomas Seminoff

Robert Hagstrom

Anna Brownell

Amanda Patterson

Judy Johnson

Anniversaries this week:

Mel & Jowan Mothershead

Bill Green & Bill Major

William & Tatia Walleth

Altar flowers given by: Letty DeLeon in thanksgiving for the coming reopening of the sanctuary for worship, and by Sumner Foster in thanksgiving for Mike and Amanda's marriage and for Amanda's birthday.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“Come, Thou Found of Every Blessing”

arr. by Richard Walters

Arthur Sauls, tenor

Larry Gates, keyboardist



Eucharistic Prayer A

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 him 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. 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 for ever sing this hymn to
proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS – Hymnal S125

Scott Dilbeck, bass
Larry Gates, keyboardist

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.

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.**

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

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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

Brianna Finnell, soprano

Larry Gates, keyboardist

Lamb of God,
you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God,
you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God,
you take away the sins of the world:
grant us peace.

The gifts of God for the people of God.
Take them in remembrance that Christ
died for you and feed on him in your heart
by faith with thanksgiving.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion:

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you physically, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

A General Thanksgiving

Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us. We thank you for the splendor of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life, and for the mystery of love.

We thank you for the blessing of family and friends, and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side.

We thank you for setting us at tasks which demand our best efforts, and for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us.

We thank you also for those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone.

Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ; for the truth of his Word and the example of his life; for his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation; for his dying, through which he overcame death; and for his rising to life again, in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom.

Grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may know him and make him known; and through him, at all times and in all places, may give thanks to you in all things. Amen.

BLESSING

The Lord God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, the holy and undivided Trinity, guard you, save you, and bring you to that heavenly City, where he lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

SENDING

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

“Thy Kingdom come, O God”

Scott Dilbeck, bass

Larry Gates, keyboardist

1. Thy kingdom come, O God!

Thy rule, O Christ, begin!

Break with thine iron rod
the tyrannies of sin!

2. Where is thy reign of peace,
and purity, and love?

When shall all hatred cease,
as in the realms above?

3. When comes the promised time
that war shall be no more,
oppression, lust, and crime
shall flee thy face before?
4. We pray thee, Lord, arise,
and come in thy great might;
revive our longing eyes,
which languish for thy sight.
5. Wherever near or far
thick darkness broodeth yet:
arise, O Morning Star,
arise, and never set!

Words: Lewis Hensley (1824-1905), alt.

Music: St. Cecelia, Leighton George Hayne (1836-1883)

