



LIGHT OF CHRIST
ANGELICAN CHURCH

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The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost – Proper 20
September 19, 2021
10:15 a.m.

Ordinary Time

Welcome to The Light of Christ Anglican Church (TLC).

At TLC, we engage with what it means that God's Kingdom is not only a future promise but also a present reality within our world even now, ushered in by Christ.

This reality shapes our worship and life together. It speaks into the way we embrace community in our multi-ethnic and multi-generational context as one big family.

Worship is the core that brings all aspects of our identity together. In worship we celebrate the King who loves us and has redeemed us, and who invites us to join in His Redemptive story within the world.

A Note to Our Guests

If you are visiting TLC for the first time, it is our hope that you would feel very welcome. Here are a few thoughts on how to make that happen.

- Everything you need to follow the service is in this bulletin.
- Are you new to liturgy? Please do not be bothered. We are not about perfection. We are ordinary people gathered to worship.
- If you are comfortable doing so, we encourage you to let an usher know it's your first time. They can help make your experience smoother. For example, you may find it helpful if you sat next to a member who knows their way around here and can answer quick questions for you.

Sundays

8:15 am, Worship Service
10:15 am, Worship Service &
Livestream

Mondays

10 am, & 6:00 pm, Women's Groups

Tuesdays

7 pm, Men's Bible Study
6 pm, Vestry, 2nd Tuesday

Wednesdays

6:30 pm, Youth Group

Thursdays

5 pm, Young Adult Meeting
5 pm, Women's Bible Journaling on
Zoom
6 pm, Second Thursday Dinner

Saturdays

8 am, Men's Breakfast & Bible Study
(2nd and 4th Saturdays) at TLC

The Gathering

Processional Hymn *(Please stand)* **Lift High The Cross**

*Lift high the cross the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore His sacred name*

Come brethren follow where our Savior trod
Our King victorious Christ the Son of God

Led on their way by this triumphant sign
The hosts of God in conqu'ring ranks combine

O Lord once lifted on the glorious tree
As Thou hast promised draw men unto Thee

So shall our song of triumph ever be
Praise to the Crucified for victory

Celebrant: Blessed be God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant and People:

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.

Song O Praise The Name (Anástasis)

I cast my mind to Calvary
Where Jesus bled and died for me
I see His wounds His hands His feet
My Saviour on that cursed tree

His body bound and drenched in tears
They laid Him down in Joseph's tomb
The entrance sealed by heavy stone
Messiah still and all alone

*O praise the Name of the Lord our God
O praise His Name forevermore
For endless days we will sing Your praise
Oh Lord oh Lord our God*

Then on the third at break of dawn
The Son of heaven rose again
O trampled death where is your sting
The angels roar for Christ the King

He shall return in robes of white
The blazing sun shall pierce the night
And I will rise among the saints
My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face

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The Gloria

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.

Glory to God

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, 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.
in the glory of God the Father. Amen, Amen.

Collect

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Celebrant: Let us pray.

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Word

A reading from Nehemiah. (Nehemiah 4:15-23)

¹⁵When our enemies heard that we were aware of their plot and that God had frustrated it, we all returned to the wall, each to our own work.

¹⁶From that day on, half of my men did the work, while the other half were equipped with spears, shields, bows and armor. The officers posted themselves behind all the people of Judah ¹⁷who were building the wall. Those who carried materials did their work with one hand and held a weapon in the other, ¹⁸and each of the builders wore his sword at his side as he worked. But the man who sounded the trumpet stayed with me.

¹⁹Then I said to the nobles, the officials and the rest of the people, “The work is extensive and spread out, and we are widely separated from each other along the

wall. ²⁰ Wherever you hear the sound of the trumpet, join us there. Our God will fight for us!”

²¹ So we continued the work with half the men holding spears, from the first light of dawn till the stars came out. ²² At that time I also said to the people, “Have every man and his helper stay inside Jerusalem at night, so they can serve us as guards by night and as workers by day.” ²³ Neither I nor my brothers nor my men nor the guards with me took off our clothes; each had his weapon, even when he went for water.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

A Psalm. (Psalm 1) Read in unison

¹ Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked,
*

nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

² Their delight is in the law of the LORD, *
and they meditate on his law day and night.

³ They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; *
everything they do shall prosper.

⁴ It is not so with the wicked; *
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

⁵ Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment
comes, *
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

⁶ For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, *
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

The Gospel Anthem *(Please stand)*

Wonderful Words of Life

Sing them over again to me

Wonderful words of life

Let me more of their beauty see

Wonderful words of life

Words of life and beauty

Teach me faith and duty

Beautiful words wonderful words

Wonderful words of life

Beautiful words wonderful words

Wonderful words of life

Gospel Reading

(Mark 9:30-37)

The Gospel is read in Karen and English recognizing two major languages in our congregation.

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

³⁰ They left that place and passed through Galilee. Jesus did not want anyone to know where they were, ³¹ because he was teaching his disciples. He said to them, “The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men. They will kill him, and after three days he will rise.” ³² But they did not understand what he meant and were afraid to ask him about it.

³³ They came to Capernaum. When he was in the house, he asked them, “What were you arguing about on the road?” ³⁴ But they kept quiet because on the way they had argued about who was the greatest.

³⁵ Sitting down, Jesus called the Twelve and said, “Anyone who wants to be first must be the very last, and the servant of all.”

³⁶ He took a little child whom he placed among them. Taking the child in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷ “Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me does not welcome me but the one who sent me.”

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Children’s Fellowship

The children proceed to their fellowship following the banner. They will rejoin us at the Peace.

Song of Blessing

May God give you eyes to see

All that is good, all that is good

The courage for anything
May you be strong, may you be
strong
May God give you ears to hear

His loving voice, his loving voice
Speaking all around you
All around and deep inside

Leader: Children of God
People: **The Lord be with you as you worship.**
Children: And also with you.

The Sermon
(Nehemiah Series)

Mr. Jacob Blessing

The Response

The Nicene Creed *(Please stand)*

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
(Praying with Nehemiah, adapted)

Leader: Let us pray to the Sovereign God who rules over heaven and earth:

We pray for your church.

May we embrace our true identity in you
And live as your servants and children.

People: **And shine your light in the world.**

May we, redeemed by your power through Christ,
always recognize when we have erred,
And return in penitence and humility.

And be renewed in your grace and mercy.

Enable our leaders to serve as those under your sovereignty.
Give them wisdom and grace to administer justice and fairness.

That our nation may be blessed.

In your mercy, remember those among us who suffer in body and mind.
Grant us favor in healing and restoration.

That our joy may be complete.

Empower us by your Spirit in places where you have placed us.
Give us courage and strength to step forth in faith

And be a conduit of your blessing.

Lift your individual prayers and thanksgivings to the Lord.

Deacon:

Lord, you have redeemed us and made us your own people by your great strength and your mighty hand. May your ear be attentive to our prayers this day, and to the prayers of all your people around the world who delight in revering your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence

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.

Celebrant:

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 Peace *(Please stand)*

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

(Please greet each other in the name of our lord).

Announcements

The Offertory

Jesus Paid It All

And I hear the Savior say
Thy strength indeed is small
Child of weakness watch and pray
Find in Me thine all in all

*Jesus paid it all
All to Him I owe
Sin had left a crimson stain
He washed it white as snow*

Lord now indeed I find
Thy pow'r and Thine alone
Can change the leper's spots
And melt the heart of stone

And when before the throne
I stand in Him complete
Jesus died my soul to save
My lips shall still repeat
Sin had left a crimson stain
He washed it white as snow
He washed it white as snow
He washed it white as snow

Oh praise the One Who paid my debt

And raised this life up from the dead
(Jesus)

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Doxology *(Please stand)*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heav'nly hosts
Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost Amen

The Eucharist

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 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; in fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations. 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:

Holy, holy Lord God Almighty
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Highest praises, honor and glory
Be unto Your name, Be unto Your name

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 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

Breaking of the Bread

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

These are 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.

(We have gluten-wheat-yeast-dairy-egg-soy-nut-and-corn free communion wafers available for anyone who needs it. Please let the Clergy serving communion know if you would prefer these to the regular wheat wafers. All baptized Christians are welcome to take communion. The ushers will direct the people down the center aisle. After receiving bread, please take a cup from the tray, then dispose of your cup in the basket. Prayer Ministers are available during communion, look for them in the alcove.)

Communion Songs

Build My Life

Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You

Jesus the name above ev'ry other name
Jesus the only one who could ever save
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You
We live for You

*Holy there is no one like You
There is none beside You
Open up my eyes in wonder and show me who You are
And fill me with Your heart
And lead me in Your love to those around me*

I will build my life upon Your love
It is a firm foundation
I will put my trust in You alone
And I will not be shaken

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Come Thou Fount

Come Thou Fount of every blessing
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace

Streams of mercy never ceasing
Call for songs of loudest praise
Teach me some melodious sonnet
Sung by flaming tongues above
Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it
Mount of God's unchanging love

Here I find my greatest treasure
Hither by Thy help I'm come
And I hope by Thy good pleasure
Safely to arrive at home
Jesus sought me when a stranger
Wandering from the fold of God
He to rescue me from danger
Interposed His precious blood

O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be
Let Thy grace now like a fetter
Bind my wandering heart to Thee
Prone to wander Lord I feel it
Prone to leave the God I love
Here's my heart O take and seal it
Seal it for Thy courts above

God You Reign

You paint the night
You count the stars and You call them by name
The skies proclaim God You reign
Your glory shines
You teach the sun when to bring a new day
Creation sings God You reign

God You reign
God You reign
Forever and ever
God You reign

You part the seas
You move the mountains with the words that You say
My song remains God You reign
You hold my life

You know my heart and You call me by name
I live to say God You reign

Hallelujah hallelu
Hallelujah hallelu
(REPEAT)

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Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: 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.

The Sending

Celebrant:

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon you and give you peace; in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Recessional

House Of The Lord

We worship the God who was
We worship the God who is
We worship the God who evermore will be
He opened the prison doors
He parted the raging sea
My God He holds the victory yeah

*There's joy in the house of the Lord
There's joy in the house of the Lord today
And we won't be quiet
We shout out Your praise
There's joy in the house of the Lord
Our God is surely in this place
And we won't be quiet*

We shout out Your praise

We sing to the God who heals
We sing to the God who saves
We sing to the God who always makes a way
He hung up on that cross
Then He rose up from that grave
My God's still rolling stones away

We were the beggars
Now we're royalty
We were the prisoners
Now we're running free
We are forgiven accepted
Redeemed by His grace
Let the house of the Lord sing praise

There's joy in the house of the Lord
There's joy in the house of the Lord today
We're shout out Your praise
There is joy
There is joy surely in this place
We won't be quiet
We shout Your praise

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Deacon: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

E-Giving at TLC

If you would like to pay for contributions through a bank transfer, we now have Zelle available, It is a secure way to send contributions and there are no fees added

for this type of transfer. To set it up, you sign up for Zelle through your bank and then you would add this email Jeanie@tlcdenver.org for the recipient's contact. We take it from there.

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