

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in the Church Year September 20, 2020

Prelude

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Introit

*I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord.
Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them,
and I will be their Lord forever. (Psalm 37:39-40,
28)*

Greeting and Penitential Act

Kyrie Eleison

*Kyrie, eleison.
Christe, eleison.
Kyrie, eleison.*

*Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy*

Gloria in Excelsis (Glory to God)

*Gloria in excelsis Deo,
et in terra pax
hominibus bonae
voluntatis. Laudamus
te, benedicimus te,
adoramus te,
glorificamus te, gratias
agimus tibi propter
magnam gloriam tuam,
Domine Deus, Rex
caelestis, Deus Pater
omnipotens. Domine
Fili Unigenite, Jesu
Christe, Domine
Deus, Agnus Dei,
Filius Patris, qui tollis
peccata mundi,
miserere nobis; qui
tollis peccata mundi,
suscipe deprecationem
nostram; qui sedes ad
dexteram Patris,
miserere nobis.
Quoniam tu solus*

*Glory to God in the
highest, and on earth
peace to people of good
will. We praise you,
we bless you, we adore
you, we glorify you, we
give you thanks for
your great glory, Lord
God, heavenly King,
oh God, almighty
Father. Lord Jesus
Christ, only-begotten
Son, Lord God, Lamb
of God, Son of the
Father, you take away
the sins of the world,
have mercy on us; you
take away the sins of
the world, receive our
prayer; you are seated
at the right hand of the
Father; have mercy on
us. For you alone are
the Holy One, you*

*sanctus, tu solus
Dominus, tu solus
altissimus, Jesu
Christe, cum Sancto
Spiritu, in gloria Dei
Patris. Amen.*

*alone are the Lord, you
alone are the Most
High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the
Father. Amen.*

Collect (Opening Prayer)

First Reading: Isaiah 55:6-9

Seek the LORD while he may be found,
call him while he is near.

Let the scoundrel forsake his way,
and the wicked his thoughts;

let him turn to the LORD for mercy;
to our God, who is generous in forgiving.

For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD.

As high as the heavens are above the earth,
so high are my ways above your ways
and my thoughts above your thoughts.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18

***R. The Lord is near to all who call upon
him.***

*Every day will I bless you,
and I will praise your name forever and ever.
Great is the LORD and highly to be praised;
his greatness is unsearchable. **R.***

*The LORD is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and of great kindness.
The LORD is good to all
and compassionate toward all his works. **R.***

*The LORD is just in all his ways
and holy in all his works.
The LORD is near to all who call upon him,
to all who call upon him in truth. **R.***

Second Reading: Philippians 1:20- 24, 27

Brothers and sisters:
Christ will be magnified in my body, whether
by life or by death.
For to me life is Christ, and death is gain.
If I go on living in the flesh,
that means fruitful labor for me.

And I do not know which I shall choose.
I am caught between the two.
I long to depart this life and be with Christ,
for that is far better.
Yet that I remain in the flesh
is more necessary for your benefit.

Only, conduct yourselves in a way worthy of
the gospel of Christ.

Alleluia and Verse: Acts 16:14

*Open our hearts, O Lord,
to listen to the words of your Son.*

Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16

Jesus told his disciples this parable:
“The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner
who went out at dawn to hire laborers for his
vineyard.
After agreeing with them for the usual daily
wage,
he sent them into his vineyard.
Going out about nine o’clock,
the landowner saw others standing idle in the
marketplace,

and he said to them, 'You too go into my
vineyard,
and I will give you what is just.'

So they went off.

And he went out again around noon,
and around three o'clock, and did likewise.

Going out about five o'clock,
the landowner found others standing around,
and said to them,

'Why do you stand here idle all day?'

They answered, 'Because no one has hired us.'

He said to them, 'You too go into my
vineyard.'

When it was evening the owner of the
vineyard said to his foreman,

'Summon the laborers and give them their
pay,

beginning with the last and ending with the
first.'

When those who had started about five
o'clock came,

each received the usual daily wage.

So when the first came, they thought that they
would receive more,

but each of them also got the usual wage.

And on receiving it they grumbled against the
landowner, saying,

'These last ones worked only one hour,
and you have made them equal to us,

who bore the day's burden and the heat.'
He said to one of them in reply,
'My friend, I am not cheating you.
Did you not agree with me for the usual daily
wage?
Take what is yours and go.
What if I wish to give this last one the same as
you?
Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own
money?
Are you envious because I am generous?'
Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be
last."

Homily

Nicene Creed

Intercessions

Offertory antiphon

If I shall walk in the midst of tribulation, you will give me life, O Lord; and you will stretch forth your hand against the wrath of my enemies; and your right hand shall save me. (Psalm 138:7)

Prayer over the Offerings

Dialogue and Preface

Sanctus (Holy)

*Sanctus, Sanctus,
Sanctus Dominus
Deus Sabaoth. Pleni
sunt caeli et terra
gloria tua. Hosanna
in excelsis. Benedictus
qui venit in nomine
Domine. Hosanna in
excelsis.*

*Holy, Holy, Holy
Lord God of Hosts.
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.*

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)

*Agnus Dei, qui tollis
peccata mundi,
miserere nobis. Agnus
Dei, qui tollis peccata
mundi, dona nobis
pacem.*

*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.*

Communion antiphon

*O that my ways may be guided towards the keeping of
your statutes. (Psalm 119:4-5)*

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Prayer after Communion

Blessing and Dismissal

Prayer to St. Michael

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, o prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Postlude

Praeludium in D, BWV 532

*J.S. Bach
(1685-1750)*

