

**Prelude:** Wayne Seppala

**Processional Hymn** (*The people stand*) #401 (1-3), "The God of Abraham Praise"

### Opening Salutation

**Celebrant:** Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

**People:** *His mercy endures for ever.*

### 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.*

### Kyrie (*spoken*)

**Celebrant:** Lord, have mercy upon us.

**People:** *Christ, have mercy upon us.*

**Celebrant:** Lord, have mercy upon us.

### Praise Song ""- Chris, Anna, & Friends

### Collect of the Day

**Celebrant:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** *And also with you.*

**Celebrant:** Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### The Lessons (*The people sit*)

**The First Reading:** Genesis 15:1-12,17-18

The word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." But the word of the Lord came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness. Then he said to him, "I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess." But he said, "O Lord God, how am I to know that I shall possess it?" He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away. As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him. When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates."

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

**Psalm 27**

1 The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?

**2 *When evildoers came upon me to eat up my flesh, it was they, my foes and my adversaries, who stumbled and fell.***

3 Though an army should encamp against me, yet my heart shall not be afraid;

**4 *And though war should rise up against me, yet will I put my trust in him.***

5 One thing have I asked of the Lord; one thing I seek; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life;

**6 *To behold the fair beauty of the Lord and to seek him in his temple.***

7 For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter; he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling and set me high upon a rock.

**8 *Even now he lifts up my head above my enemies round about me.***

9 Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with sounds of great gladness; I will sing and make music to the Lord.

**10 *Hearken to my voice, O Lord, when I call; have mercy on me and answer me.***

11 You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." Your face, Lord, will I seek.

**12 *Hide not your face from me, nor turn away your servant in displeasure.***

13 You have been my helper; cast me not away; do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.

**14 *Though my father and my mother forsake me, the Lord will sustain me.***

15 Show me your way, O Lord; lead me on a level path, because of my enemies.

**16 *Deliver me not into the hand of my adversaries, for false witnesses have risen up against me, and also those who speak malice.***

17 What if I had not believed that I should see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living!

**18 *O tarry and await the Lord's pleasure; be strong, and he shall comfort your heart; wait patiently for the Lord.***

**The Second Reading:** Philippians 3:17-4:1

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

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

**Gospel Hymn:** (*The people stand*) #598 (1-2), "*Lord Christ, When First Thou Cam'st*"

**The Gospel: Luke 13:31-35**

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
People: *Glory to you Lord Christ.*

Some Pharisees came and said to Jesus, "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." He said to

them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.' Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

Celebrant: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: *Praise to you Lord Christ.*

Sermon Fr. Ken

**The Nicene Creed** (*The people 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.*

**The Prayers Of The People** (*Form II, the people stand*)

*In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.*

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishops Sean Rowe and Susan Brown-Snook; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

*(Silence)*

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

*(Silence)*

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble especially those among us who are sick and suffering: [St. Andrew's list]

*(Silence)*

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

*(Silence)*

I ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for those who have died.

*(Silence)*

Members of the congregation may ask the prayers or the thanksgivings of those present

*(Silence)*

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace

to glorify Christ in our own day.

*(Silence)*

Celebrant: Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you." Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**Confession of Sin and Absolution** *(The people kneel)*

Celebrant: Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

***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 our 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** *(The people stand)*

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

**People:** ***And also with you.***

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

**Announcements**

**Offertory** *(The people sit)* "The Cross Was His Own" – St. Andrew's Choir

**Doxology** *(The people stand and sing)*

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, you heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

**Dedication/Communion Prayer**

***My Jesus, I believe that you are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot receive You sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart, as though you have already come. I embrace You, and unite myself with you entirely. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.***

**The Great Thanksgiving** *(Eucharistic Prayer B, remain standing)*

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. *[Proper Preface]*

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** (*S125: Sung*)

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

*(The people kneel)* We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father, *(spoken)*

***We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;***

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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. *(spoken)* ***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**

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

***People: Therefore let us keep the feast.***

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.

**Communion** (*The people sit*) “” – *Chris, Anna, & Friends*

**Post Communion Prayer** (*The people kneel*)

Celebrant: Let us pray.

*Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.*

**The Blessing**

May 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 his countenance upon you and give you peace. The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain always. **Amen.**

**Recessional Hymn** (*The people stand*) #495 (1-3), "Hail Thou Once Despised Jesus"

**Dismissal**

**Celebrant:** Let us bless the Lord.

**People:** *Thanks be to God.*

**Postlude:** *Wayne Seppala*

**Prayers at the Altar:**

*Our friendly Prayer Ministers are available in front of the altar for anyone seeking additional prayer.*