



# Epiclesis

An Ancient-Future Faith Community

*Liturgy*

June 13, 2010 (Third Sunday after Pentecost)

## GATHERING

Sing to the LORD a new song;

sing to the LORD, all the whole earth.

**Sing to the LORD and bless His name;**

**proclaim the good news of His salvation from day to day.**

Declare His glory among the nations

and His wonder among all the peoples.

**For great is the LORD and greatly to be praised;**

**He is more to be feared than all gods.**

Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

Ascribe to the LORD the honor due His name.

**We have gathered to praise our gracious God.**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow!**

– from Psalm 96



Nathan Rebukes David, Julius Schnorr van Carolsfeld, 1851-60



SENDING FORTH  
The Life of the Body

*The Stand*

So I'll stand, with arms high and heart abandoned,  
In awe of the One who gave it all.  
I'll stand, my soul, Lord, to You surrendered,  
All I am is Yours.

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Go in peace, in the knowledge of God's power.

Go in confidence, in the knowledge of God's strength.

Go in joy, in the knowledge of God's love.

Go in power, to love and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*A thought about worship...*  
“The early church fathers saw “relationship” written in large letters over *baptism* and the *Eucharist*. . . . Baptism is our marriage while Eucharist is the kiss of love. . . . We tend to see baptism and Eucharist as *our* signs of devotion to God. In the ancient church baptism was first God’s sign of our union with him and then our sign of embracing this union and its calling to live in the pattern of death and resurrection. Eucharist is also God’s sign—a kind of affirmation of Jesus’ death for us and his resurrection for us. . . . Through bread and wine [the Spirit] continually nourishes us in the pattern of death and resurrection spiritually first confirmed at our baptism.” (Robert E. Webber, *Ancient-Future Time: Forming Spirituality through the Christian Year* [Grand Rapids: Baker Books, 2004], 156-157 ).



*Garments of Praise*

*Chorus:*

Put on the garments of praise  
For the spirit of heaviness;  
Let the oil of gladness flow  
Down from Your throne.  
Put on the garments of praise  
For the spirit of heaviness;  
Your joy is my strength alone,  
My strength alone.

*Verse:*

Make these broken, weary bones  
Rise to dance again;  
Wet this dry and thirsty land with a river.  
Lord, our eyes are fixed on You,  
And we are waiting for Your garland  
Of grace, as we praise Your name.

*Bridge:*

Hallelujah, sing hallelujah;  
We give all honor and praise to Your name.  
Hallelujah, sing hallelujah;  
We trade our sorrows for garments of praise.

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INVOCATION

Spontaneous prayers of welcome and praise



## THE TABLE

Blessing – Remembering – Taking – Reflecting

*The Lord's Prayer* (spoken)

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 our debts as we forgive our debtors  
And lead us not into temptation,  
But deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
Forever. Amen

*I Will Bow to You*

Lord, I will bow to You,  
To no other God but You alone.  
Lord, I will worship You,  
Nothing hands have made, but You alone.

I will lay down my idols,  
Thrones I have made,  
All that has taken my heart.  
Lord, I will bow to You,  
To no other God but You alone

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## PROFESSION OF FAITH

**All glorious God, we give you thanks.  
In your Son, Jesus Christ,  
you have given us every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realms.  
You chose us, before the world was made,  
to be your holy people, without fault in your sight.  
You adopted us as your children in Christ.  
You have set us free by his blood; you have forgiven our sins.  
You have made known to us your secret purpose,  
to bring heaven and earth into unity in Christ.  
You have given us your Holy Spirit,  
the seal and pledge of our inheritance.  
All praise and glory be yours, O God,  
for the richness of your grace,  
for the splendor of your gifts,  
for the wonder of your love.**

- based on Ephesians 1:3-18

*Doxology*

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

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Praise Him from whom all blessings flow...

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PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

*Agnus Dei*

O Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world;  
Have mercy on us.  
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Have mercy on us.  
O Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world;  
Have mercy on us.  
O Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world;  
Grant us peace, Grant us peace.

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ASSURANCE OF PARDON

How blessed are those whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sin is covered! How blessed are those to whom the Lord does not impute iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit!  
**When I kept quiet about my sin, my body wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night Your hand was heavy upon me; my vitality was drained away as with the fever heat of summer.**

**I acknowledged my sin to You, and my iniquity I did not hide; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord"; and You forgave the guilt of my sin.**

Therefore, let everyone who is godly pray to You in a time when You may be found; surely in a flood of great waters they will not reach him.

**You are my hiding place; You preserve me from trouble; You surround me with songs of deliverance.**

Many are the sorrows of the wicked, but those who trust in the Lord, lovingkindness will surround them.

Be glad in the Lord and rejoice, you righteous ones; and shout for joy, all you who are upright in heart.

— from Psalm 32



READING: Luke 7:36-8:3

TIME OF OFFERING

*Jesus, All for Jesus*

Jesus, all for Jesus,  
All I am and have and ever hope to be.  
Jesus, all for Jesus,  
All I am and have and ever hope to be.

All of my ambition, hopes and plans,  
I surrender these into Your hands.  
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For it's only in Your will that I am free,  
For it's only in Your will that I am free,  
Jesus, all for Jesus,  
All I am and have and ever hope to be.

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THE WORD

1 Kings 21:1-21a

2 Samuel 11:26-12:10, 13-15