

St. Patrick's Episcopal Church  
Incline Village, Nevada



*"Seeking Light and Sharing Love"*

20<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
October 18, 2020

**The Holy Eucharist: Enriching our Worship 10am**

**Prelude:** *Sing to the Lord a New Song*

by Timothy Dudley Smith

Sing a new song to the Lord  
He to whom wonders belong!  
Rejoice in his triumph, and tell of his power  
Sing to the Lord a new song.

Now to the ends of the earth  
See his salvation is shown!  
And still he remembers his mercy and truth.  
Unchanging in love to his own.

Sing a new song and rejoice!  
Publish his praises abroad.  
Let voices in chorus with trumpet and horn  
Resound for the joy of the Lord

**Announcements**

**SERVICE OF THE WORD**

**Hymn 408**

“Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above”

1 Sing praise to God who reigns above,  
the God of all creation,  
the God of power, the God of love,  
the God of our salvation;  
with healing balm my soul he fills,  
and every faithless murmur stills:  
to God all praise and glory.

2 What God's almighty power hath made,  
his gracious mercy keepeth;  
by morning glow or evening shade  
his watchful eye ne'er sleepeth.  
Within the kingdom of his might, lo!  
all is just and all is right:  
to God all praise and glory.

3 Let all who name Christ's holy Name  
give God all praise and glory;  
let all who know his power proclaim  
aloud the wondrous story!  
Cast each false idol from its throne,

the Lord is God, and he alone:  
to God all praise and glory.

**Opening Acclamation**

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.  
*Glory to God for ever and ever.*

**Collect for Purity**

**Song of Praise: S280 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. 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. 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, Amen.*

God be with you.  
*And also with you.*  
Let us pray.

**Collect of the Day:** Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**First Reading: Isaiah 45:1-7**

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped to subdue nations before him and strip kings of their robes, to open doors before him--and the gates shall not be closed: I will go before you and level the mountains, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron, I will give you the treasures of darkness and riches hidden in secret places, so that you may know that it is I, the Lord, the God of Israel, who call you by your name. For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I surname you, though you do not know me. I am the Lord, and there is no other; besides me there is no god. I arm you, though you do not know me, so that they may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is no one besides me; I am the Lord, and there is no other. I form light and create darkness, I make weal and create woe; I the Lord do all these things.

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

**Psalm: 96:1-13**

- 1 Sing to the LORD a new song; \*  
*sing to the LORD, all the whole earth.*
- 2 Sing to the LORD and bless his Name; \*  
proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.

- 3 Declare his glory among the nations \*  
*and his wonders among all peoples.*
- 4 For great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; \*  
*he is more to be feared than all gods.*
- 5 As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols; \*  
*but it is the LORD who made the heavens.*
- 6 Oh, the majesty and magnificence of his presence! \*  
*Oh, the power and the splendor of his sanctuary!*
- 7 Ascribe to the LORD, you families of the peoples; \*  
*ascribe to the LORD honor and power.*
- 8 Ascribe to the LORD the honor due his Name; \*  
*bring offerings and come into his courts.*
- 9 Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness; \*  
*let the whole earth tremble before him.*
- 10 Tell it out among the nations: "The LORD is King! \*  
*he has made the world so firm that it cannot be moved;  
he will judge the peoples with equity."*
- 11 Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad;  
let the sea thunder and all that is in it; \*  
*let the field be joyful and all that is therein.*
- 12 Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy  
before the LORD when he comes, \*  
*when he comes to judge the earth.*
- 13 He will judge the world with righteousness \*  
*and the peoples with his truth.*

**Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10**

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead-- Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

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## Hymn 488

“Be Thou My Vision”

1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
all else be nought to me, save that thou art--  
thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;  
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
thou my great Father; thine own may I be;  
thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.

3 High King of heaven, when victory is won,  
may I reach heaven's joys, bright heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my heart, whatever befall,  
still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

*Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

### **The Holy Gospel: Matthew 22:15-22**

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?” But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, “Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax.” And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, “Whose head is this, and whose title?” They answered, “The emperor’s.” Then he said to them, “Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor’s, and to God the things that are God’s.” When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

The Gospel of the Lord.

*Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

## Sermon

the Rev. Sarah Dunn

### **Affirmation of Faith: from Tírechán (7th cen. Irish Bishop)**

*Our God is the God of all humans, the God of heaven and earth, the God of sea and rivers, the God of sun and moon, the God of all heavenly bodies, the God of the lofty mountains, the God of the lowly valleys. God is above the heavens; and he is beneath the heavens, Heaven and earth and sea, and everything that is in them, such he has as his abode. He inspires all things, he gives life to all things, he stands above all things, he stands beneath all things. He enlightens the light of the sun, he strengthens the light of the night and the stars, he makes wells in the arid land and dry islands in the sea, and he places the stars in the service of the greater lights. He has a Son who is co-eternal with himself; and similar in all respects to himself; and neither is the Son younger than the Father, nor is the Father older than the Son; and the Holy Spirit breathes in them. And the Father and the Son and Holy Spirit are inseparable. Amen.*

**The Prayers of the People:** Holy One, we thank you for your creation and the abundant beauty that surrounds us: the mountains and lake, the pine forest and flowers, the warm sunny days and cool, star filled nights. God of creation, *hear our prayer.*

We give thanks for the bounty you have provided: the food on our tables, the clothes we wear, the homes we live in, the families that make us whole, and the riches in our bank accounts. We also give you thanks for the blessings of this community\_\_\_\_\_ (*the congregation may add their own praises*). Make us always mindful that our true treasure is to know you. God of abundance, *hear our prayer.*

We pray for those affected by violence in our world. We ask that you lead all peoples to the still waters of peace. God of reconciliation, *hear our prayer.*

We pray for those affected by natural disasters of hurricanes, earthquakes, fires, and floods. Be with the firefighters and all first responders during this difficult fire season. God of assurance, *hear our prayer.*

Holy One, we ask your presence with this country and our elected national and local leaders. May differences be respected and not divisive; may political positions be debated and not degraded; and may voices be spoken with truth, reason and respect. Give us guidance during the upcoming election. God of redemption, *hear our prayer.*

We pray for those who live alone and for others who live in loneliness. We pray for the unemployed, underemployed, and those suffering economic hardship and stress. We pray for those who seek justice and instead are denied grace. We ask your healing for the sick, the suffering, and all of those on our hearts this morning \_\_\_\_\_ (*the congregation may add their own petitions*). God of compassion, *hear our prayer.*

We also pray for the anxious, the mourning, and those who have departed this realm to the life eternal with you:\_\_\_\_\_ (*the congregation may add their own remembrances*). God of resurrection, *hear our prayer.*

Send your Holy Spirit and reveal yourself to us by the blessing and breaking of bread so that we may be what we see, and receive what we are. God of faith, *hear our prayer.*

### **Concluding Collect**

**Confession of Sin:** Let us confess our sins to God. *God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.*

### **Absolution**

**The Peace:**

The peace of Christ be always with you.

*And also with you.*

**SERVICE OF THE TABLE: Celtic Eucharistic Prayer**

**Music at the Offertory:** *The Trees of the Field*

by Stuart Dauermann & Steffi Ruben

You shall go out with joy  
And be led forth with peace  
The mountains and the hills  
Will break forth before you  
There'll be shouts of joy  
And all the trees of the field  
Will clap, will clap their hands

And all the trees of the field  
Will clap their hands  
The trees of the field  
Will clap their hands  
The trees of the field  
Will clap their hands  
While you go out with joy

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**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.**

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 our thanks and praise.***

Holy God, Lover of creation, we give you thanks and praise, for in the ocean of your steadfast love you bear us and place the song of your Spirit in our hearts. When we turn from your love and defile the earth, you do not abandon us. Your Spirit speaks through Patrick and Brigid, and through prophets, sages, and saints in every age, to confront our sin and reveal the vision of your new creation. Joining in the song of the universe we proclaim your glory as we sing: ***Holy, holy, holy. My heart, my heart adores you! My heart knows how to say to you: you are holy, Lord! Santo, santo, santo. Mi corazon te adora! Mi Corazon te sabe decir: Santo eres, Señor!***

Gracious God, in the fullness of time you sent Jesus the Christ to share our fragile humanity. Through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection, you open the path from brokenness to health, from fear to trust, from pride and conceit to reverence for you. Rejected by a world that could not bear the Gospel of life, Jesus knew death was near. His head anointed for burial by an unknown woman. Jesus gathered together those who loved him. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it and gave it to his friends, saying "Take and eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave you thanks, and said, "Drink this all of you, this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for the multitudes. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." And now we gather at this table in response to his commandment, to share the bread and cup of Christ's undying love, and to proclaim our faith.

***Christ has died.***

***Christ is risen.***

***Christ will come again.***

Breathe your Holy Spirit, the wisdom of the universe, upon these gifts that we bring to you: this bread, this cup, ourselves, our souls and bodies, that we may be signs of your love for all the world and ministers of your transforming purpose. Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, Creator of all, and we bless your holy name for ever. ***Amen.***

God be with you.

***And also with you.***

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray, ***Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.***

**The Breaking of the Bread:**

Alleluia. Behold what you are.

***May we become what we receive. Alleluia.***

The Gifts of God for the People of God. *[All those seeking light and sharing love are welcome at the Lord's Table; gluten free wafers are available]*

**Music at Communion:** *One Bread, One Body*

by John B. Foley, S. J.

One bread, one body,  
One Lord of all,  
One cup of blessing which we bless.  
And we, though many,  
Throughout the earth,  
We are one body in this one Lord.  
Gentile or Jew,  
Servant or free,  
Woman or man, no more

One bread, one body,  
One Lord of all,  
One cup of blessing which we bless.  
And we, though many,  
Throughout the earth,  
We are one body in this one Lord.  
Many the gifts,  
Many the works,  
One in the Lord of all.

One bread, one body,  
One Lord of all,  
One cup of blessing which we bless.  
And we, though many,  
Throughout the earth,  
We are one body in this one Lord.  
Grain for the fields,  
Scattered and grown,  
Gathered to one, for all.

One bread, one body,  
One Lord of all,  
One cup of blessing which we bless.  
And we, though many,  
Throughout the earth,  
We are one body in this one Lord.

Let us pray: *God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.*

**Special Blessings**

**Congregational Blessing**

**Hymn 665 vss 1-4**

“All my Hope on God is Founded”

1 All my hope on God is founded;  
he doth still my trust renew,  
me through change and chance he guideth,  
only good and only true.  
God unknown, he alone  
calls my heart to be his own.

2 Mortal pride and earthly glory,  
sword and crown betray our trust;  
though with care and toil we build them,  
tower and temple fall to dust.  
But God's power, hour by hour,  
is my temple and my tower.

3 God's great goodness e'er endureth,  
deep his wisdom, passing thought:  
splendor, light and life attend him,  
beauty springeth out of naught.  
Evermore from his store  
newborn worlds rise and adore.

4 Daily doth the almighty Giver  
bounteous gifts on us bestow;  
his desire our soul delighteth,  
pleasure leads us where we go.  
Love doth stand at his hand;  
joy doth wait on his command.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

**This month we remember those who are in our Columbarium:**

Daniel Renton, William Robinson, Addelle Rudnicki, Jaime Rose-Welch, Eric E. Roy,  
Corinne Roy, Addelle Rudnicki, Kimberly Rudnicki, Kevin Rudnicki, Howard C. Saylor,  
August & June Schaefer, Jack Schaefer, Suzanne Scholk, Jean & Howard Scribner,  
and Edward & Dolores Shales

## Worship Assistants

Minister of Music: Donna Axton  
Vocalist: Karen Colbert  
Prayers of the People: Mark Wangsness  
Worship Leader: Gary Thomsen

## Clergy

The Rev. Sarah A. Dunn (rector)  
The. Rev. Dr. Bob Swope (assisting clergy)

## Members of the Vestry

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