



Many people I know are incensed by what's being perceived as a depiction of "The Last Supper" at the Opening Ceremonies of the Olympics in Paris. It isn't - it's a Bacchanalia, but I sure enjoyed mulling over the implications. Not that you asked, but upon reflection, here's my take. Consider the participants, including Jesus, depicted in DaVinci's masterpiece. Each one, including Jesus, wound up excluded, reviled, and almost to a person (including Jesus) martyred for witnessing to inclusion, justice, and especially: love.

Then look at the participants in that depiction from the opening ceremonies of the Olympics. They know more about exclusion, revulsion, and spiritual martyrdom than many of us who claim to be Christian in the USA have known. Christianity as the Religion-of-Empire has shielded us from the experience of the first Christians in ways we can scarcely imagine. Those lions in Rome were well fed. Sunday morning at 10:30 (and every Sunday at 10:30) I am privileged to lead worship with Trinity Episcopal Church in Troy, OH. Whether we'll get fed to lions I do not know, but you'll find a community of souls who know how to welcome, include, and send out into God's beloved world, for good.

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THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Proper 13
August 4, 2024
10:30 am

Trinity Episcopal Church



Invite, Include, Inspire

*A Christian community for the realization of God's presence
through worship, relationship, and outreach.*

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*Today there will be no prelude or procession.
Clergy and acolytes will enter the church from the back
entrance and take their places behind or on the Dias.*

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Celebrant: God be with you.
People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant: Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Celebrant: Lord have mercy
People: Christ have mercy
Celebrant: Lord have mercy

The First Reading **Exodus 16:2-4,9-15**

Lector 1: A reading from Exodus.

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

Then the Lord said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not."

Parish Cycle of Prayer

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants **Jerry Knapke, Kevin and Kathleen Kirsch, Pat Machal and Carole Van Osdol, Max Markley** Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer For Those Celebrating Birthdays and Anniversaries

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants **Gregory Pfeiler and John Weikle**. Be with them as they continues to trust in your wisdom and grace all the days of their lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer For Those in the Armed Forces

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY
August 4— August 10

MONDAY: Aug. 5: 9:15 am–9:45 am: Contemplative Prayer
via zoom. Meeting ID: 818 9854 4534
Password: 438678

WEDNESDAY: Aug. 7 7:00 pm: Celtic Prayer Service.

MEET THE OSBORNES

Where: Trinity Episcopal Church

When: Saturday, August 17 from 11:00 A.M. until 2:00 P.M.

Trinity will provide grilling meats and vegie burgers as well as drinks.
Parishioners will be asked to provide a side dish.

Signup sheets will be in the Parish Hall over the next few Sundays.
Games will be provided. Please bring lawn chairs if possible.

Lunch will be served in the Parish Hall or can be eaten outside.

We look forward to welcoming Rev. Alane, husband Kyle and children
Clive and Fiona.

We are creating a new **Pictorial Church Directory**
to help Rev. Alane have a picture to go with names.



**Please send, email, or drop off individual or
family picture(s) to the office ASAP!**
Thanks

Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining.'" And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud.

The Lord spoke to Moses and said, "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.'"

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat."

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 78:23-29

- 23 So he commanded the clouds above *
and opened the doors of heaven.
- 24 He rained down manna upon them to eat *
and gave them grain from heaven.
- 25 So mortals ate the bread of angels; *
he provided for them food enough.
- 26 He caused the east wind to blow in the heavens *
and led out the south wind by his might.
- 27 He rained down flesh upon them like dust *
and winged birds like the sand of the sea.
- 28 He let it fall in the midst of their camp *
and round about their dwellings.
- 29 So they ate and were well filled, *
for he gave them what they craved.

The Second Reading

Ephesians 4:1-16

Lector 1: A reading from Ephesians.

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift.

Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people."

(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.)

The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming.

But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

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People: Thanks be to God.

The Blessing

Celebrant:

May the Light of God surround you.
The Love of God enfold you.
The Power of God protect you.
The Presence of God watch over you.
And the Blessing of God, Father, Son
and Holy Spirit be with you today
and always.

People: Amen.

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

To All: *Thank you for joining us this morning. The service is over. Please join us in the parish hall for Coffee Hour. If you are not sure where the Parish Hall is located, please ask the usher or anyone in the congregation, they will be happy to help you.*

Those Serving Today

Celebrant: The Rev. Eileen C. O'Reilly
Lectors: Jerry Knapke, Leslie Schwartz
Acolytes: Sam, Gregory, Javier, and Alex Pfeiler
Usher: Geroge Gutermuth
Camera: Carole Cobb
Altar Guild: Phyllis Donohoe, Pat Marchal, Carole Van Osdol

Celebrant: This is the table, not of the church, but of the Lord. It is made ready for those who love God and for those who want to love God more.

So come you who have much faith. And you who have little; You who have been here often and you who have not been here long; You who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come because it is the Lord who invites you.

Invitation to Communion

Celebrant: "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."

Administration of Communion

(Please follow usher's directions)

The Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray:

Celebrant and People

**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.**

Please stand

The Holy Gospel Of Our Lord, Jesus Christ John 6:24-35

Response before the Gospel: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The next day, when the people who remained after the feeding of the five thousand saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal."

Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'"

Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated.

The Homily: The Rev. Eileen O'Reilly

Please stand.

THE NICENE CREED

Lector: Let us stand and affirm our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

Celebrant and People

**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.**

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Celebrant and People

People: Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.

Officiant: And so as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Officiant and all together

**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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

**People: We who are many are one body, for we all share in
the one bread.**

Then the Celebrant continues

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise.

Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

**People: Dying, you destroyed our death.
Rising, you restored our life.
Christ Jesus, come in glory!**

Celebrant continues:

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Prayers of the People Form III

(Peoples' response in bold)

Lector and People pray responsively.

Lector: Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People: That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

that our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. *Silence*

All: Amen.

Celebrant: God of life, every act of violence in our world, in our communities, destroys your creation. Stir in our hearts a renewed sense of reverence for all life. Give us the vision to recognize your spirit in every human being, however they behave towards us.

Make possible the impossible by cultivating in us the fertile seed of healing love. May we play our part in breaking the cycle of violence by realizing that peace begins with us. In the name of Christ, who is our peace, **People: Amen.**

Celebrant: Almighty God, through your Holy Spirit you created unity in the midst of diversity; We acknowledge that human diversity is an expression of your manifold love for your creation; We confess that in our brokenness as human beings we turn diversity into a source of alienation, injustice, oppression, and wounding. Empower us to recognize and celebrate differences as your great gift to the human family. Enable us to be the architects of understanding, of respect and love; we ask this through Jesus, who is the ground of all unity. **People: Amen.**

Confession of Sin

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins to God. *Silence.*

Celebrant and People:

God of All Mercy,

**We confess that we have sinned against you,
Opposing your will in our live.**

**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

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

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

People: And also with you.

Announcements

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Offertory

Offertory Sentence

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

Presentation of Bread and Wine

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up you hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things.

You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to human-kind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

Sanctus: Celebrant and People:

**Holy, Holy, Holy. Lord God of Host
Heaven and Earth are full of your Glory
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the one, who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the Highest.**