

Eucharistic Homily

Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

October 28, 2018

The Protestant reformers revolutionized daily life by recognizing God's supernatural involvement in the ordinary and mundane. There is no aspect of your life or mine that is outside of God's lordship or beyond His gracious providence. God superintends every aspect of our lives, and He is at work in every aspect of our lives to accomplish His perfect purposes.

The Lord's Supper illustrates these truths more clearly than we might realize. God could send down manna from heaven each Lord's Day, but He chooses to let us make the bread. God could turn water into wine for us to drink. That would be really spiritual, wouldn't it? But instead, God allows us to grow the grapes and make the wine. We take the fruit of the earth, glorify it, offer it to God, and He gives it back to us as life, health, and salvation. Through this ordinary bread, God imparts to us all the benefits of Jesus' broken body. Through this ordinary wine, God bestows on us all the benefits of Jesus' shed blood.

The Lord's Supper reminds us that God specializes in doing the extraordinary through the ordinary. He does that which is supernatural in the midst of the natural.

If you've been baptized into Christ and are seeking to live faithfully and obediently for Him, you are invited to partake of this feast that our gracious Father has prepared for us. These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

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