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Service of Morning Prayer

The Third Sunday After Pentecost
Sunday, June 26, 2022

Sunday Worship: 10:00AM
Office Hours: 8:15am until 3:00pm Monday – Thursday

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SERVICE OF MORNING PRAYER

Chiming of the Hour

Announcements

Prelude *Morning Has Broken* arr. Arthur Frankenpohl

Opening Sentence

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

Gathering Hymn *God of the prophets, bless the prophets' heirs!*
Hymn 359 v.1-3

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Almighty God, Source of all that is, Giver of every good gift:

You create all people in your image and call us to love one another as you love us. We confess that we have failed to honor you in the great diversity of the human family. We have desired to live in freedom, while building walls between ourselves and others. We have longed to be known and accepted for who we are, while making judgements of others based on the color of skin, or the shape of features, or the varieties of human experience. We have tried to love our neighbors individually while yet benefitting from systems that hold those same neighbors in oppression.

Forgive us, Holy God.

***Give us eyes to see you as you are revealed in all people.
Strengthen us for the work of reconciliation rooted in love.
Restore us in your image, to be beloved community, united in
our diversity, even as you are one with Christ and the Spirit,
Holy and undivided Trinity, now and forever. Amen.***

*Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our
Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power
of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen.*

The Invitatory and Psalter

Lord, open our lips.

And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

***Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it
was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.***

The Jubilate Psalm 100

**Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands:*
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.
Know this: The Lord himself is God:*
he himself has made us, and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.
Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
go into his courts with praise;***

**give thanks to him and call upon his Name.
For the Lord is good;
his mercy is everlasting;*
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.**

Psalm 16

1 Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; *
I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord,
my good above all other."

**2 All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, *
upon those who are noble among the people.**

3 But those who run after other gods *
shall have their troubles multiplied.

**4 Their libations of blood I will not offer, *
nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.**

5 O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; *
it is you who uphold my lot.

**6 My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; *
indeed, I have a goodly heritage.**

7 I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; *
my heart teaches me, night after night.

**8 I have set the LORD always before me; *
because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.**

9 My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; *
my body also shall rest in hope.

**10 For you will not abandon me to the grave, *
nor let your holy one see the Pit.**

11 You will show me the path of life; *
in your presence there is fullness of joy,
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

Reader: Glory be to the Father, to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

***People:* As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen**

The Lessons

The First Reading: Old Testament: 1 Kings 19:15-16,19-21

The LORD said to Elijah, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place."

So he set out from there, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was plowing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him. He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, "Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you." Then Elijah said to him, "Go back again; for what have I done to you?" He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah, and became his servant.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

The Third Song of Isaiah Isaiah 60:1-3, 11a, 14c, 18-19

**Arise, shine, for your light has come,*
and the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you.
For behold, darkness covers the land;*
deep gloom enshrouds the peoples.
But over you the Lord will rise,*
and his glory will appear upon you.
Nations will stream to your light,*
and kings to the brightness of your dawning.
Your gates will always be open;*
by day or night they will never be shut.
They will call you, The City of the Lord,*
The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.
Violence will no more be heard in your land,*
ruin or destruction within your borders.
You will call your walls, Salvation,*
and all your portals, Praise.
The sun will no more be your light by day;*
by night you will not need the brightness of the moon.
The Lord will be your everlasting light,*
and your God will be your glory.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:*
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

The Epistle Reading: Galatians 5:1,13-25

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

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

The Song of the Redeemed Revelation 15:3-4

***O ruler of the universe, Lord God,
great deeds are they that you have done,****

***surpassing human understanding.
Your ways are ways of righteousness and truth,*
O King of all the ages.
Who can fail to do you homage, Lord,
and sing the praises of your Name?*for you only are the Holy One.
All nations will draw near and fall down before you,*
because your just and holy works have been revealed.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:*
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.***

Organ Meditation

The Gospel: Luke 9:51-62

When the days drew near for Jesus to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another said, "I will follow you, Lord;

but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

***People:* Praise to you, Lord Christ**

The Homily

The Apostles' Creed

***I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
And born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.***

The Prayers

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

***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 Collect Of The Day

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Prayers of The People

Intercessor Called to follow Jesus, let us offer our prayers for all people, saying: Holy God, hear our prayer.

*For the Church, especially for Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Kevin, our bishop, and Liz, our Priest, that we may hear God's call to discipleship and follow in faith and joy. **Holy God, hear our prayer.***

*For this parish family, and those of Christ Church and St Marks, that we who are God's beloved community, may serve those in need around us, and not be controlled by the expectations and demands of society. **Holy God, hear our prayer.***

*For peace throughout the world, especially in Ukraine, that armed conflicts will end, injustices and jealousies be addressed, and that all nations may use their resources to defeat disease and hunger. **Holy God, hear our prayer.***

*For those of different religious traditions and understanding of the Scriptures, that they may recognize the God who is at work in every heart, and experience renewal of their relationships with others, and new ways to cooperate. **Holy God, hear our prayer.***

*For all those who are weary in body, mind, and spirit, remembering especially, , that they may find wholeness and peace in Christ. **Holy God, hear our prayer.***

*For those suffering from addiction and for those who love and support them, that we share God's healing love through our unity in witness and action. **Holy God, hear our prayer.***

*For all the departed, remembering especially,, that they may live for eternity in the power of the Spirit. **Holy God, hear our prayer.***

*Lifting our voices with all creation, with Mary, the God-bearer, Peter and Paul, and all the saints, let us offer ourselves, and one another, to the living God through Christ. **To you, O Lord our God.***

*Celebrant God of wisdom, hear the prayers we offer this day. Enrich our lives with the gifts of your Spirit, that we may follow the way of Christ, and serve one another in freedom, through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.***

The General Thanksgiving

***Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up ourselves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;***

***through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.***

Parting Hymn *Christ is made the sure foundation*

Hymn 518 v.1-

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The Blessing And Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Postlude

Prelude on Madrid

arr. David Lasky

**Altar Flowers this week are Given To the Glory of God & In
Loving Memory of The Rev. W. Francis and Karlotta Allison,
Elizabeth Allison, Donald & Geoffrey Hamlin by Peggy Allison
Hamlin.**

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Announcements: Lynne Graham

Lector: Karen Blye McAbee

Organist: Cathy Hammons

1 God of the pro - phets, bless the pro - phets' heirs! E - li - jah's
 2 A - noint them pro - phets! Teach them thine in - tent: to hu - man
 3 A - noint them priests! help them to in - ter - cede with all thy
 *4 A - noint them kings! Yea, king - ly kings, O Lord! A - noint them
 5 Make them a - pos - tles, her - alds of thy cross; forth may they

1 man - tle o'er E - li - sha cast: each age for thine own sol - emn
 2 need their quick - ened hearts a - wake; fill them with power, their lips make
 3 roy - al priest - hood born of grace; through them thy Church pre - sents in
 4 with the Spi - rit of thy Son: theirs not a mon - arch's crown or
 5 go to tell all realms thy grace: in - spired of thee, may they count

1 task pre - pares, make each one strong - er, no - bler than the last.
 2 el - o - quent for right - eous - ness that shall all e - vil break.
 3 word and deed Christ's one true sac - ri - fice with thank - ful praise.
 4 ty - rant's sword; theirs by the love of Christ a king - dom won.
 5 all but loss, and stand at last with joy be - fore thy face.

Unison or harmony

1 In Christ there is no East or West, in
 2 Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, what-
 3 In Christ now meet both East and West, in

3
 him no South or North, but one great fel - low -
 e'er your race may be! Who serves my Fa - ther
 him meet South and North, all Christ - ly souls are

6
 ship of love through - out the whole wide earth.
 as his child is sure - ly kin to me.
 one in him, through - out the whole wide earth.