

THE TENTH SUNDAY IN THE SEASON OF PENTECOST
SERVICE OF MORNING PRAYER
AUGUST 9, 2020

OPENING HYMN 390 PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY

1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;
O my soul, praise Him, for he is thy health and salvation:
Join the great throng, psaltery, organ, and song, sounding in glad adoration.

2. Praise to the Lord; over all things he gloriously reigneth:
Borne as on eagle-wings, safely his saints he sustaineth.
Hast thou not seen how all thou needest hath been granted in what he ordaineth?

3. Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy way and defend thee;
Surely his goodness and mercy shall ever attend thee;
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do, who with his love doth befriend thee.

4. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath come now with praises before him!
Let the Amen sound from his people again; gladly forever adore him.

Opening Sentence

Officiant: I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord." *Psalms 122:1*

Confession of Sin (all kneel)

Officiant: The grace of God has dawned upon the world with healing for all. Though we have grieved him, yet he will heal us if we confess our sins in penitence and faith.

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.

The Officiant says

God who is both power and love, forgive us and free us from all our sins, heal and strengthen us by his Spirit and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Invitatory and Psalter *(all stand)*

Officiant: Lord, open our lips.

People: **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 for ever. Amen.**

Officiant: The mercy of the Lord is everlasting:

People: **Come let us adore him.**

Song of Praise: #377 All People that on Earth do Dwell

1. All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice:
him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell, come ye before him and rejoice.
2. Know that the Lord is God indeed; without our aid he did us make:
we are his folk, he doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.
3. O enter then his gates with praise, approach with joy his courts unto;
praise, laud, and bless his Name always, for it is seemly so to do.
4. For why? the Lord our God is good; his mercy is for ever sure;
his truth at all times firmly stood, and shall from age to age endure.
5. To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, the God whom heaven and earth adore,
from men and from the angel host be praise and glory evermore.

PSALM 85:8-13

(THE PEOPLE READ THE VERSES IN BOLD PRINT)

8 I will listen to what the LORD God is saying, *
for he is speaking peace to his faithful people
and to those who turn their hearts to him.

**9 Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, *
that his glory may dwell in our land.**

10 Mercy and truth have met together; *
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

**11 Truth shall spring up from the earth, *
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.**

12 The LORD will indeed grant prosperity, *
and our land will yield its increase.

**13 Righteousness shall go before him, *
and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.**

FIRST LESSON: 1 KINGS 19:9-18

At Horeb, the mount of God, Elijah came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away."

He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the LORD said to him, "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. Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches.

People: Thanks be to God.

Canticle 12: A Song of Creation (S229)

1. Glorify the Lord, all you works of the Lord,
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.
2. In the firmament of his power, glorify the Lord,
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.
3. Glorify the Lord, you angels
and all powers of the Lord,
O heavens and all waters above the heavens.
4. Sun and moon and stars of the sky,
glorify the Lord,
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.
5. Glorify the Lord,
every shower of rain and fall of dew,
all winds and fire and heat.
6. Winter and summer, glorify the Lord,
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.
7. Glorify the Lord, O chill and cold,
drops of dew and flakes of snow.
8. Frost and cold, ice and sleet,
glorify the Lord,
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.
9. Glorify the Lord, O nights and days,
O shining light and enfolding dark.
10. Storm clouds and thunderbolts,
glorify the Lord,
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

21. Let us glorify the Lord:
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

22. In the firmament of his power,
glorify the Lord,
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

SECOND LESSON: ROMANS 10:5-15

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that “the person who does these things will live by them.” But the righteousness that comes from faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) “or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say?

“The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart”

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

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People: Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN 689 I SOUGHT THE LORD

1. I sought the Lord, and afterward I knew
he moved my soul to seek him, seeking me;
it was not I that found, O Savior true;
no, I was found of thee.

2. Thou didst reach forth thy hand and mine enfold;
I walked and sank not on the storm-vexed sea;

'twas not so much that I on thee took hold,
as thou, dear Lord, on me.

3. I find, I walk, I love, but oh, the whole
of love is but my answer, Lord, to thee;
for thou wert long beforehand with my soul,
always thou lovedst me.

The Officiant reads the Gospel, first saying

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Officiant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON *(recorded by Rev. Lynn Hade)*

The Apostles' Creed

Officiant and People together, all standing

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

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Officiant: Let us 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.

Prayers of the People

God of infinite mercy, **hear our prayer!**

In this time of bewilderment and fear, we ask you to give us the courage to take care of one another as Jesus did. For those who are ill, especially those who are frightened and alone, for those who cannot access healthcare, for those who are homeless and lost, God of infinite mercy: **hear our prayer!**

In the midst of our sadness, frustration and grief, we ask you to give us words to comfort one another. For those who are dying, and for those who have already died in this time of

national crisis, for those who tend them and for those with no one to tend them, God of infinite mercy: **hear our prayer!**

In the midst of our own anxiety, we ask you to give us the courage to support one another as you would. For those who are unexpectedly unemployed, for employers who share what they can, for our government and financial institutions and those who lead them, God of infinite mercy: **hear our prayer!**

In the midst of our struggle to ensure a healthy and safe future for all who live in this nation, we ask you to give us the hope that surpasses our current understanding. For those on our parish prayer list and all we name silently or aloud.

And for healthcare workers, spiritual leaders and our faith communities, for artists and poets, for prophets and teachers, God of infinite mercy: **hear our prayer!**

In the midst of our growing awareness that all life on Earth is connected, we ask for the heart to respect and cherish the life of all creation.

That all peoples recognize that we are all your children,

That we recognize all creation as the place where your glory is manifested.

God of infinite mercy: **hear our prayer!**

We trust in you and your power working in us, through us and around us.

Please hear and answer our prayers. God of infinite mercy: **hear our prayer!**

The Officiant concludes with the Collects.

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. **Amen.**

Announcements

FORWARD DAY BY DAY issues for the months of Aug-October are in and we have both regular and large print. Please let us know if you would like to receive one and we will get it to you.

NEWS FROM VESTRY: Vestry met on Sunday, July 19th and did the following:

- Took a final vote to accept the revised endowment policy
- Discussed membership of the finance committee. Linda Nicholson will chair the committee. The accounting warden, currently Rob Kavash and 2 other parishioners will serve as members.
- Announced HAT packs' decision to move permanently to St John's Lutheran Church due to available space with ground level access.
- Learned NA will soon resume in person meetings in parish hall and that AA has temporarily moved to Hatboro Baptist during the pandemic restrictions for use of our space.
- Discussed switch to Eucharist/communion service for the first 2 weeks of August.
- Explored ways to maintain community during the pandemic with modifications to usual activities like a cook in for Caring for Friends, a stewardship gathering, a blood drive, the soup luncheon and the tree lighting reception.

THE BIRTHDAY PRAYER Book of Common Prayer, page 830

Birthdays in our parish this week: *Robert Zimmerman, Stephen Gilman, Don Huttlin.*

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them where ever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may the peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The General Thanksgiving (*said by the officiant and the people*)

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.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom *(said by the officiant)*

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Officiant: May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** ~ *Romans 15:13*

CLOSING HYMN 388 O WORSHIP THE KING

1. O worship the King, all glorious above!
O gratefully sing his power and his love!
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.
2. O tell of his might! O sing of his grace!
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space,
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,
and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.
3. The earth, with its store of wonders untold,
Almighty, thy power hath founded of old,
hath stablished it fast by a changeless decree,
and round it hath cast, like a mantle, the sea.
4. Thy bountiful care, what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air; it shines in the light;
it streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,
and sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.
5. Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;

thy mercies how tender! how firm to the end!
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

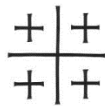
Ministers of the Service

Officiant: Lyn Werner Preacher: Rev. Lynn Hade
Readers & Intercessor: Jeanne Bernosky, Drew Dippre, Sharon Dippre
Musicians: Barbara Johnson and Heidi New
Tech Support: Janet Gilman & Linda McGuigan-Miller
Usher: Alan Kiel
Altar Guild: Kathleen Lawson

*Today's altar flowers are given in loving memory of
Roberta Cooke by Henrietta & Alan Kiel.*

The altar candles for the month of August are given in loving memory of
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