

2ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JUNE 14TH, 2020

Prelude Confession

P : In the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit **C: Amen**

P: Brothers and sisters in Christ, let us gather with true hearts that confess our sins to God, that earnestly ask for forgiveness and that trust in our renewal through the work of our Savior Jesus the Christ.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord, **C: who made heaven and earth.** [*Psalm 124:8*]

*P: I said I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.***C: And you forgave the iniquity of my sin.** [*Psalm 32:5*]

P: Almighty God, merciful Father:

C: I confess to you all my sins with which I have offended you and my neighbors. I am sorry for them. I devote myself to repentance and pray for your mercy. In your boundless grace and compassion send me your Holy Spirit that I may be strengthened in my faith and made ready for a life obedient to your will and your way.

P: God is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and full of steadfast love. [Exodus 34:6] Therefore, in obedience to the command of our Lord Jesus Christ, I declare the entire forgiveness of all your sin in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. C: Amen.

ENTRANCE HYMN (*spoken responsively*)

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord Who abide in His shadow for life Say to the Lord: "My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!"

And He will raise you up on eagles' wings Bear you on the breath of dawn Make you to shine like the sun And hold you in the palm of His hand

The snare of the fowler will never capture you And famine will bring you no fear Under His wings your refuge, His faithfulness your shield

And He will raise you up on eagles' wings Bear you on the breath of dawn Make you to shine like the sun And hold you in the palm of His hand

You need not fear the terror of the night **Nor the arrow that flies by day** Though thousands fall about you, near you it shall not come

And He will raise you up on eagles' wings Bear you on the breath of dawn Make you to shine like the sun And hold you in the palm of His hand

For to His angels He's given a command **To guard you in all of your ways** Upon their hands they will bear you up Lest you dash your foot against a stone

And He will raise you up on eagles' wings Bear you on the breath of dawn Make you to shine like the sun And hold you in the palm of His hand And hold you, hold you in the palm of His hand

GREETING

- P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you C: And also with you

- P: You are the treasured people of the Lord,
- C: A people holy to the Lord our God.

P: We have seen what our God has done

C: We declare His faithfulness from age to age for all time.

P: We hear and keep His Word,

- C: And all that God has spoken we will do.
- P: Let us pray:
- C: God of all power, Lord of compassion and wisdom, Spirit of faithfulness, as generations have trusted and hoped in what You have declared, so now we also come before You; to worship and to be inspired, convinced that You are able to fulfill all that You have promised us. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

FIRST LESSON

EXODUS 19:2-8

They had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain. Now Moses went up to God; YHWH called to him from the mountain, saying,

"Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself.

Now therefore, if you will harken, yes, harken to my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites."

So Moses came, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that YHWH had commanded him.

The people all answered as one: "Everything that YHWH has spoken we will do."

PSALM

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Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing.

Know that the Lord is God. It is he that made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. R

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise.

Give thanks to him, Come bless his name.

For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations. \mathbf{R}

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 9th Chapter. **C: Glory to you, O Lord!**

GOSPEL

MATTHEW 9:36-10:25

When *Jesus* saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.

Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore, ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who handed him over.

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. Acquire no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff; for laborers are worthy of their food. Whatever town or village you enter, search out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. As you enter the house, greet it. If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. Amen I say to you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town. Behold, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and pure as doves. Watch out for them, for they will deliver to the authority of councils and flog you in their synagogues; and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles. When they deliver you to the authority, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you in that hour; for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. Brother will deliver up brother into death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the fulfillment will be saved. When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next; Amen I say to you, you will not have fulfilled the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes. A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

P: The Gospel of the Lord! **C: Praise to you, O Christ!**

Sermon

HYMN OF THE DAY (spoken responsively)

How clear is our vocation, Lord, When once we heed your call: **To live according to your word, And daily learn, refreshed, restored, That you are Lord of all, and will not let us fall.**

But if, forgetful, we should find Your yoke is hard to bear; If worldly pressures fray the mind, and love itself cannot unwind Its tangled skein of care: Our inward life repair.

We marvel how your saints become In hindrances more sure; Whose joyful virtues put to shame The casual way we wear your name, And by our faults obscure Your power to cleanse and cure.

In what you give us, Lord, to do, Together or along, In old routines and ventures new, May we not cease to look to you, The cross you hung upon -All you endeavored done.

APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, 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, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

OFFERING IS BROUGHT FORWARD

P: Let us Pray

C: In thanks for all the blessing of life, for work and rest, for food and shelter, for love and laughter, for beauty and harmony, we return these offerings to You, O God. We pray that our thanks is pleasing in Your sight, that what we offer is used again for sustenance and growth. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

HF we give thanks for the devotion we and those around us have had to following the health precautions necessary to reduce the number of sick and dying so that we can begin to return to more normal living again. Inspire us to maintain our vigilance for ourselves and our love for neighbors that we can stay this course despite its inconveniences and annoyances. Gracious Lord -

HF we also give thanks for all of those who have been and continue to be on the front lines of caring for the sick, tending the dying and bringing the dead to their final rest. Renew their strength, stir their hope and steel their determination to persevere in their service whatever may yet come. Continue to show us meaningful ways to express our gratitude for the risks they take in their work. GL

HF we confess our failure to be faithful loving, respecting and celebrating the great diversity of humanity that you intend and create. Give us the courage to face our failures with humility and open our hearts and minds to bridging the divides that we have created and continue to create. GL

HF we are blessed to live in a nation that is built on the right to gather freely and speak our minds. Open the ears of our nation's leadership to hear the voice of the many who are now calling us to listen to those who have been voiceless. Let all our hearts be moved to insure that there is an equitable opportunity for every American to seek life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. GL

HF may the clear coming of summer and our enjoyment of being outside and working in our gardens turn our attention to our care for creation as well. In seeing the beauty of the flowers and feeling the grass under bare feet, we remember to give thanks for the great gift of this robust environment which you have made fragile under our stewardship. Inspire us to embrace the role you have given us, that we will focus on nurturing this life which you have put into our hands. GL

HF as schools come to the close of a most unusual year, send your spirit of peace to students, teachers administrators and staff. As the furniture continues to get rearranged and replaced continually amidst all the uncertainty of what is to come, keep us focused on being safe and keep us focused on the goal and joy of teaching and learning. GL

HF as Churches begin gathering to worship again, we ask your blessing on our worship, on our gatherings and on our plans for how to do all of this safely. May whatever we do be faithful and pleasing, for we long to give you glory and praise together in whatever form that needs to take. GL

HF we ask that you hear our prayer for all we bring before you now . . . And we trust that you will hear the prayers we offer even for ourselves

And, finally, we pray as your Son has taught us . . .

The Lord's Prayer Benediction Dismissal

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