



## Pentecost 7

July 19, 2020

Welcome

Minister My word shall accomplish that which I purpose, and prosper in the thing for which I sent it.  
*(Isaiah 55.11)*

God of mystery and power, even our minds and hearts are the veils and signs of your presence. We come in silent wonder to learn the way of simplicity, the eternal road that leads to love for you and for your whole creation. We come as your Son Jesus Christ taught us, and in his name. Amen.

Confession and Absolution

Minister Let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

Minister Most merciful God,

**All We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Minister Almighty God have mercy upon us, pardon and deliver us from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and keep us in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us pray.

Almighty God, your Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence.

Give us pure hearts and constant wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**Psalm 139.1-11, 22-23**

<sup>1</sup> Lord, you have searched me out and known me;  
you know my sitting down and my rising up;  
you discern my thoughts from afar.

**<sup>2</sup> You trace my journeys and my resting-places  
and are acquainted with all my ways.**

<sup>3</sup> Indeed, there is not a word on my lips,  
but you, O Lord, know it altogether.

**<sup>4</sup> You press upon me behind and before  
and lay your hand upon me.**

<sup>5</sup> Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;  
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.

**<sup>6</sup> Where can I go then from your Spirit?  
where can I flee from your presence?**

<sup>7</sup> If I climb up to heaven, you are there;  
if I make the grave my bed, you are there also.

**<sup>8</sup> If I take the wings of the morning  
and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,**

<sup>9</sup> Even there your hand will lead me  
and your right hand hold me fast.

**<sup>10</sup> If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me,  
and the light around me turn to night."**

<sup>11</sup> Darkness is not dark to you;  
the night is as bright as the day;  
darkness and light to you are both alike.

**<sup>22</sup> Search me out, O God, and know my heart;  
try me and know my restless thoughts.**

<sup>23</sup> Look well whether there be any wickedness in me  
and lead me in the way that is everlasting.

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

Gospel Hymn - Ancient Words

The Reading: Matthew 13.24-30, 36-43

Reader A reading from the Gospel of Matthew.

<sup>24</sup> Jesus put before them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; <sup>25</sup>but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. <sup>26</sup>So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. <sup>27</sup>And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, "Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?" <sup>28</sup>He answered, "An enemy has done this." The slaves said to him, "Then do you want us to go and gather them?" <sup>29</sup>But he replied, "No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. <sup>30</sup>Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn." '

<sup>36</sup> Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, 'Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.' <sup>37</sup>He answered, 'The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; <sup>38</sup>the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, <sup>39</sup>and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. <sup>40</sup>Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. <sup>41</sup>The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, <sup>42</sup>and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. <sup>43</sup>Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

Reader The Word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Ben Tshin

Apostles' Creed

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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.**

The Offertory - *Please take a moment to prayerfully present your financial offering to God.*

Prayer over the Gifts

O God, accept our praise and thanksgiving. Help us in all we do to offer ourselves as a true and living sacrifice; through Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

## The Prayers

Minister The Lord be with you.

**All And also with you.**

Minister Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

**All Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Minister Lord, have mercy upon us.

**All 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 them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.**

Minister O Lord, show your mercy upon us;

People **And grant us your salvation.**

Minister O Lord, guide those who govern us;

People **And lead us in the way of justice and truth.**

Minister Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

People **And let your people sing with joy.**

Minister O Lord, save your people;

People **And bless your inheritance.**

Minister Give peace in our time, O Lord;

People **And defend us by your mighty power.**

Minister Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

People **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

Minister Create in us clean hearts, O God;

People **And take not your Holy Spirit from us.**

Leader O Lord our God, in your mercy and kindness, no thought of ours is left unnoticed, no desire or concern ignored. You have proven that blessings abound when we fall on our knees in prayer, and so we turn to you in our hour of need. Surrounded by violence and cries for justice, we hear your voice telling us what is required, "Only to do justice and to love goodness, and to walk humbly with your God". Fill us with your mercy so that we, in turn, may be merciful to others. **Amen**

Heavenly Father, Strip away pride, suspicion, and racism so that we may seek peace and justice in our communities. Strengthen our hearts so that they beat only to the rhythm of your holy will. Flood our path with your light as we walk humbly toward a future filled with encounter and unity. Be with us, O Lord, in our efforts, for only by the prompting of your grace can we progress toward virtue. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

O God our King, by the resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ on the first day of the week, you conquered sin, put death to flight, and gave us the hope of everlasting life: Redeem all our days by this victory; forgive our sins, banish our fears, make us bold to praise you and to do your will; and steel us to wait for the consummation of your kingdom on the last great Day; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time, with one accord to make our common supplications to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will grant their requests: 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.**

#### The Blessing

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among us and remain with us always. **Amen.**

#### **In our prayers this week:**

##### **The Anglican Communion:**

Pray for the Episcopal Church in the Philippines

The Most Revd Joel Atiwag Pachao - Prime Bishop of the Philippines

##### **The Anglican-Lutheran Cycle of Prayer**

**ACC** Archbishop Greg Kerr-Wilson, Indigenous Bishop Sid Black, the clergy and people of the Diocese of Calgary

**ELCIC** The assistant to the bishop and the staff of the Synod of Alberta and the Territories

**The Diocese of Toronto:** Nottawasaga Deanery

##### **The Social Justice and Advocacy Committee:**

The clergy and people of St Margaret, New Toronto; St Mark, Midland; St Mark, Port Hope  
and their outreach activities

##### **The Church of St Mary and St Martha**

In our parish cycle of prayer: Robert Oywello; Cynthia Palmer; Margaret Parris

Celebrating birthdays: Nicholas Joaquin, Catherine Gardner

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