



## Pentecost 13

August 30, 2020

Welcome

Minister May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts, that we may know what is the hope to which he has called us. *(Ephesians 1.17, 18)*

Prayer God of our salvation, through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, you have fulfilled your promise to our ancestors in the faith to redeem the world from slavery and to lead us into the promised land. Grant us living water from the rock and bread from heaven, that we may survive our desert pilgrimage and praise you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. **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.

Author and Giver of all good things, graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us in all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**Psalm 105.1-6, 23-26**

<sup>1</sup> Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name;  
make known his deeds among the peoples.

**<sup>2</sup> Sing to him, sing praises to him,  
and speak of all his marvellous works.**

<sup>3</sup> Glory in his holy name;  
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

**<sup>4</sup> Search for the Lord and his strength;  
continually seek his face.**

<sup>5</sup> Remember the marvels he has done,  
his wonders and the judgements of his mouth,

**<sup>6</sup> O offspring of Abraham his servant,  
O children of Jacob his chosen.**

<sup>23</sup> Israel came into Egypt,  
and Jacob became a sojourner in the land of Ham.

**<sup>24</sup> The Lord made his people exceedingly fruitful;  
he made them stronger than their enemies;**

<sup>25</sup> Whose heart he turned, so that they hated his people,  
and dealt unjustly with his servants.

**<sup>26</sup> He sent Moses his servant,  
and Aaron whom he had chosen.**

**<sup>45c</sup> Hallelujah!**

**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 16.21-28

Reader            A reading from the Gospel of Matthew.

<sup>21</sup> From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. <sup>22</sup> And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, 'God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.' <sup>23</sup> But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling-block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.'

<sup>24</sup> Then Jesus told his disciples, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. <sup>25</sup>For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. <sup>26</sup>For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

<sup>27</sup> 'For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. <sup>28</sup>Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.'

Reader            The Word of the Lord.  
**All                Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Mark Regis

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    Merciful God, receive all we offer you this day. Give us grace to love one another that your love may be made perfect in us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our 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.**

Gracious Lord, you are the comfort of those who mourn and the strength of those who suffer, We pray for those who are in any need and for those who have asked for our prayers....for Lauren, for Linda, for Doreen, and for all those we name now, silently or aloud. (Pause). **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 united Church of South India  
The Most Revd Dharmaraj Rasalam - Moderator of CSI & Bishop of South Kerala

**The Anglican-Lutheran Cycle of Prayer**

**ACC** Bishop Chris Harper, the clergy and people of the Diocese of Saskatoon  
**ELCIC** Bishop Greg Mohr, the people and rostered ministers of the British Columbia Synod

**Diocese of Toronto**

York Central Deanery

**The Social Justice and Advocacy Committee:**

The clergy and people of St Olave, Swansea; St Paul on the Hill, Pickering; St Paul, Rexdale  
and their outreach activities

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

In our parish cycle of prayer: Vannett Robinson; Cecil Romain; Cynthia Rouse

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