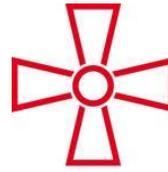


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10th Sunday after Pentecost

August 14, 2022

10:15 am
Morning Prayer

The Book of Alternative Services

HYMN #342 We Praise You, O God

(standing as you are able)

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with you all.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Almighty God,
All **to you all hearts are open,**
all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden.
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

GLORY TO GOD

St Columba Mass

All **Glory to God in the highest,**
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King
Almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us,
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
receive our prayer.

**For you alone are the holy one,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant Let us pray
All **Almighty God,
you have broken the tyranny of sin
and sent into our hearts the Spirit of your Son.
Give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service,
that all people may know the glorious liberty
of the children of God;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

(please be seated)

Reader A Reading from the Book of Isaiah (5:1-7)

Let me sing for my beloved
my love-song concerning his vineyard:
My beloved had a vineyard
on a very fertile hill.

² He dug it and cleared it of stones,
and planted it with choice vines;
he built a watch-tower in the midst of it,
and hewed out a wine vat in it;
he expected it to yield grapes,
but it yielded wild grapes.

³ And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem
and people of Judah,
judge between me
and my vineyard.

⁴ What more was there to do for my vineyard
that I have not done in it?
When I expected it to yield grapes,
why did it yield wild grapes?

⁵ And now I will tell you
what I will do to my vineyard.
I will remove its hedge,
and it shall be devoured;
I will break down its wall,
and it shall be trampled down.

⁶ I will make it a waste;
it shall not be pruned or hoed,

and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns;
I will also command the clouds
that they rain no rain upon it.

⁷ For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts
is the house of Israel,
and the people of Judah
are his pleasant planting;
he expected justice,
but saw bloodshed;
righteousness,
but heard a cry!

The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Reader Psalm 80: 1-2, 8-18

¹ Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; *
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.

² In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, *
stir up your strength and come to help us.

⁸ You have brought a vine out of Egypt; *
you cast out the nations and planted it.

⁹ You prepared the ground for it; *
it took root and filled the land.

¹⁰ The mountains were covered by its shadow *
and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.

¹¹ You stretched out its tendrils to the Sea *
and its branches to the River.

¹² Why have you broken down its wall, *
so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?

¹³ The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it, *
and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.

¹⁴ Turn now, O God of hosts, look down from heaven; behold and tend this vine; *
preserve what your right hand has planted.

¹⁵ They burn it with fire like rubbish; *
at the rebuke of your countenance let them perish.

¹⁶ Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, *
the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.

¹⁷ And so will we never turn away from you; *
give us life, that we may call upon your name.

¹⁸ Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ, our good shepherd; you have led us to the kingdom of your Father's love. Forgive our careless indifference to your loving care for all your creatures, and remake us in the likeness of your new and risen life. We ask this in your name.

Reader A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews (11:29 - 12:2)

²⁹ By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. ³⁰ By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. ³¹ By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

³² And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets— ³³ who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, ³⁴ quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. ³⁵ Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. ³⁶ Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. ³⁷ They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented— ³⁸ of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

³⁹ Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, ⁴⁰ since God had provided something better so that they would not, without us, be made perfect.

¹ Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, ² looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the

The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL

HYMN #635 Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song (v1, 2) *(standing as you are able)*

Reader The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (12:49-56)

People Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴⁹ 'I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! ⁵⁰ I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! ⁵¹ Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! ⁵² From now on, five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; ⁵³ they will be divided:

father against son
and son against father,
mother against daughter
and daughter against mother,
mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law
and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'

⁵⁴ He also said to the crowds, 'When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, "It is going to rain"; and so it happens. ⁵⁵ And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, "There will be

scorching heat"; and it happens. ⁵⁶ You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?

The Gospel of Christ.

People Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HYMN #635 Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song (v3) *(standing as you are able)*

SERMON *(please be seated)*

THE APOSTLE'S CREED *(standing as you are able)*

Celebrant Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

All 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 OF THE PEOPLE *(sitting or standing)*

Gathered as your people, we offer the concerns of our life and the world saying, God of mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for Todd, our Bishop; Marinez, Bishop of our companion Diocese of Amazonia; Michael and Susan, Bishops of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada; Sidney, interim National Indigenous Archbishop; Anne, our Metropolitan; Linda, our Primate; Margaret, our priest; and for all clergy and lay leaders, that you might uphold them in the leadership of your church.

God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for Elizabeth, our Queen; Mary, our Governor General; Justin, our Prime Minister; Doug, our Premier; Karen, our Regional Chair, Dave and Les, our Mayors; may they be guided by wisdom for the good of all people.

God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the universal church. May discord among denominations yield to unity and a common commitment to share the good news of Christ.

God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the world. Prud us to engage in acts of mission and service that further the kingdom and honour the care that God has given us.

God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who hold authority in government. Enable policymakers to enact justice, transforming places of violence and conflict into havens of respite and peace.

God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all those in our community who are suffering the burden of illness, distress, or any kind of pain [*especially...*].

God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We remember all those who have died and joined the great cloud of witnesses in heaven.

God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Creator, you inspire us to trust in the things we cannot see and to ground our faith in your promises to us. Give us the clarity of your vision, and make us ready to serve you as we await your return. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Celebrant Dear friends in Christ,
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;
God welcomes sinners
and invites them to the table.
Let us confess our sins,
confident in God's forgiveness.

(Silence is kept.)

Celebrant 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.**

Celebrant 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.**

THE PEACE *(nod or bow to those around you, please do not leave your seat)*

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

OFFERTORY

HYMN #503 Fight the Good Fight

(standing as you are able)

All **Loving God and Father,
you have adopted us to be your heirs.
Accept all we offer you this day
and give us grace to live as faithful children.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

(please be seated)

Celebrant Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise
for all you have done for us.
We thank you for the splendour of the whole creation,
for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life,
and for the mystery of love.
We thank you for the blessing of family and friends,
and for the loving care
which surrounds us on every side.
We thank you for setting us tasks
which demand our best efforts,
and for leading us to accomplishments
which satisfy and delight us.
We thank you also for those disappointments and failures
that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone.
Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ;
for the truth of his word and the example of his life;
for his steadfast obedience,
by which he overcame temptation;
for his dying, through which he overcame death;
for his rising to life again,
in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom.
Grant us the gift of your Spirit,
that we may know Christ and make him known;
and through him, at all times and in all places,
may give thanks to you in all things. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,
All **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.

THE DOXOLOGY

Celebrant Glory to God,
All whose power, working in us,
can do infinitely more
than we can ask or imagine.
Glory to God from generation to generation,
in the Church and in Christ Jesus,
for ever and ever. Amen.

HYMN #599 Awake! Awake! Fling Off the Night

(standing as you are able)

DISMISSAL

Leader As labourers sent into the vineyard to work for an abundant harvest, go in peace to love
and serve the Lord.
All Thanks be to God.

Questions for Reflection

How do you reconcile a sense of division within yourself and the world with the unity we are promised as the people of God? What sustains you in times of conflict? Identify some occasions in your life when you were unable to recognize an invitation to reconciliation and wholeness.

Household Prayer: Morning

Lord of Life, we greet this new day sustained by the great cloud of witnesses who praise your name. Help us to lay aside any burden or distraction that might prevent us from fully serving you this day. Give us perseverance and joy so that we may come to the end of the day confident in your presence and aware of your blessings. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

God of Hope, confirm for us at the close of this day the fulfilment of your promise of provision. Release our concerns for things done and left undone. Give us your peace so that we rise refreshed to serve you with openness and love. Amen.