



THE SECOND SUNDAY  
AFTER PENTECOST  
(YEAR A)

June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Morning Prayer Service

10:30 am

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**Saint Patrick Episcopal Church**

The Rt. Rev. Mark Van Koevering, Bishop

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**Welcome to Morning Prayer!**

Morning and Evening Prayer are made up of a few distinct parts: The Gathering (The Confession, "Lord, open our lips"), the Psalter (where we say the psalm or psalms of the day), the lessons and responses (we hear readings from the Bible and respond with canticles, which are holy poetry of the Church), The Apostles' Creed (our statement of faith and similar to the Nicene Creed), and the Prayers.

A few helpful hints as you pray at home and/or join us:

- Using a sacred space or home altar can add a positive and spiritually centered connection to the service. For more information on creating altars and sacred spaces, please visit our "Worship at Home" webpage and scroll to the resources at the bottom.
- As you begin, light a candle, gather with those in your household (pets included) and take a few minutes of silence
- We will be uploading this service to our "Worship at Home" page at 10:30 am on Sunday. It will also be available on our YouTube channel and Facebook Page.

# MORNING PRAYER SERVICE

June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020

OPENING HYMN

"Blest Are They"

Gather #659

Refrain:



Re - jice and be glad! Bless-ed are you,  
ho - ly are you! Re - jice and be glad!  
Yours is the king-dom of God!

Verses 1-3:

Blest are they, the poor in spirit  
Theirs is the kingdom of God.  
Blest are they, full of sorrow  
They shall be consoled.

Blest are they, the lowly ones,  
They shall inherit the earth.  
Blest are they who hunger and thirst,  
They shall have their fill.

Blest are they who show mercy,  
Mercy shall be theirs.  
Blest are they, the pure of heart,  
They shall see God!

OPENING SENTENCE

BCP 77

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight,  
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

(Psalm 19:14)

CONFESSION OF SIN

BCP 79

Officiant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All: **Most merciful God,  
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 neighbors 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.**

Officiant: Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

BCP 80

Officiant: Lord, open our lips.

People: **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

All: **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.  
Alleluia.**

ANTIPHON

BCP 81

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: Come let us adore him.

Jubilate *Psalm 100*

BCP 82

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; \*

**serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.**

Know this: The Lord himself is God; \*

**he himself has made us, and we are his;  
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**

Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; \*

**give thanks to him and call upon his Name.**

For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; \*

**and his faithfulness endures from age to age.**

## Refrain:

*Melody:*

I will take the cup of life, I will call God's  
name all my days.

## Verses:

How can I make a return for the goodness of God?  
This saving cup I will bless and sing, and call the name of God!

The dying of those who keep faith is precious to our God.  
I am your servant called from your hands, you have set me free!

To you I will offer my thanks and call upon your name.  
You are my promise for all to see. I love your name O God!

## THE WORD OF GOD

## FIRST LESSON

GENESIS 18:1-15

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son." And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him. Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I have pleasure?" The Lord said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh, and say, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?' Is anything too wonderful for the Lord? At the set time I will return to you, in due season, and Sarah shall have a son." But Sarah denied, saying, "I did not laugh"; for she was afraid. He said, "Oh yes, you did laugh."

Lector:

The Word of the Lord

**People:****Thanks be to God**

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.**

## SECOND LESSON

Romans 5:1-8

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person-- though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

Lector:                   The Word of the Lord  
**People:                   Thanks be to God**

Splendor and honor and kingly power \*  
**are yours by right, O Lord our God,**  
For you created everything that is, \*  
**and by your will they were created and have their being;**

And yours by right, O Lamb that was slain, \*  
**for with your blood you have redeemed for God,**  
From every family, language, people, and nation, \*  
**a kingdom of priests to serve our God.**

And so, to him who sits upon the throne, \*  
**and to Christ the Lamb,**  
Be worship and praise, dominion and splendor, \*  
**for ever and for evermore.**

THE GOSPEL

MATTHEW 9:35-10:8

Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he 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 betrayed him.

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.

Officiant: The Gospel of the Lord.  
People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON

Rev. Chris Brannock

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## Verse 1

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.  
 Longing for truth, we turn to you.  
 Make us your own, your holy people,  
 Light for the world to see.

## Refrain:

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.  
 Shine through the darkness.  
 Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.

## Verse 2:

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.  
 Longing for hope, many despair.  
 Your Word alone has pow'r to save us.  
 Make us your living voice.

## Verse 3:

Longing for food, many are hungry.  
 Longing for water, many still thirst.  
 Make us your bread, broken for others,  
 Shared until all are fed.

## Verse 4:

Longing for shelter, many are homeless.  
 Longing for warmth, many are cold.  
 Make us your building, sheltering others,  
 Walls made of living stone.

## Verse 5:

Many the gifts, many the people,  
 Many the hearts that yearn to belong.  
 Let us be servants to one another,  
 Making your kingdom come.

## THE APOSTLES'S CREED

**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

BCP 97

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Officiant: Let us pray.

*Officiant and People*

**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 those  
who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

## SUFFRAGE A

BCP 97

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;

**R. And grant us your salvation.**

V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

**R. Let your people sing with joy.**

V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

**R. For only in you can we live in safety.**

V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;

**R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**

V. Let your way be known upon earth;

**R. Your saving health among all nations.**

V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

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

V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;

**R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 98

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*A Collect for Sundays*

BCP 98

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*A Collect for Guidance*

BCP 100

Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*A Prayer for Mission*

BCP 100

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM IV

BCP 388

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

For Social Justice

BCP 823

Grant, O God that your holy and life giving Spirit may so move every human heart [and especially the hearts of the people of this land], that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

In Times of Conflict

BCP 824

O God, you have bound us together in common life. Help us, in the midst of our struggles for justice and truth, to confront one another without hatred or bitterness, and to work together with mutual forbearance and respect; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

BCP 101

**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 our selves 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*

BCP 102

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.**

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Officiant concludes with the following:*

EPHESIANS 3:20, 21

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

CLOSING HYMN

"Anthem"

We are called, we are cho-sen. We are Christ for one an-oth-er.  
We are prom-ised to to-mor-row, while we are for Him to-day.—  
We are sign, we are won-der. We are sow-er, we are seed.  
We are har-vest, we are ~~hun-gry~~ *hunger*. We are ques-tion, we are creed.—

Verses:

1.  
Then where can we stand justified? In what can we believe?  
In no one else but He who suffered, nothing more than He who rose.  
Who was justice for the poor. Who was rage against the night.  
Who was hope for the peaceful people. Who was light.

2.  
Then how are we to stand at all, this world of bended knee?  
In nothing more than barren shadows. No one else but He could save us.  
Who was justice for the poor. Who was rage against the night.  
Who was hope for the peaceful people. Who was light.

3.  
Then shall we not stand empty at the altar of our dreams?  
When He promised us ourselves. Who mark time against tomorrow.  
Who are justice for the poor. Who was rage against the night.  
Who was hope for the peaceful people. Who are light.