

Morning Prayer for the Sixth Sunday of Pentecost

July 12, 2020
10:00 am



Morning Prayer, Rite II Trinity Church, Swarthmore

A parish of the Episcopal Diocese of Pennsylvania
The Rev. Dr. Edward E. B. Thompson, Rector

WELCOME! It is a joy to worship with you today. Our worship of God is a communal experience. Please join as fully as you are comfortable doing, knowing that God's Spirit connects us more powerfully than any virus or physical distancing can separate us. We encourage children to participate as they can.

Our service this morning is Morning Prayer, Rite II, the Zoom link is [HERE](#). "BCP" refers to the Episcopal Book of Common Prayer (1979). We will begin on p. 78. Link is [here](#), select The Daily Office then, Daily Morning Prayer: Rite II. Readings are [here](#), Track 2.

Our guest preacher today is The Rev. Maggie Ainslie. Thank you Rev. Ainslie!

Prelude

Prelude in G

Felix Mendelssohn

Welcome and announcements

Presider

Hymn

"Blessed Jesus, at thy word"

1982 Hymnal 440

The musical score consists of two staves of music in G major. The top staff is in treble clef and the bottom staff is in bass clef. The lyrics are integrated into the music, appearing below the notes. The hymn begins with three stanzas:

1 Bless - ed Je - sus, at thy word we are gath - ered all to
2 All our know - ledge, sense, and sight lie in deep - est dark-ness
3 Gra - cious Lord, thy - self im - part! Light of Light, from God pro -

hear thee; let our hearts and souls be stirred
shroud - ed, till thy Spi - rit thou our breaks our night
ceed - ing, o - pen thou our ears and heart,

now to seek and love and fear thee; by thy teach - ings
with the beams of truth un - cloud - ed; thou a - lone to
help us by thy Spi - rit's plead - ing. Hear the cry thy

pure and ho - ly, drawn from earth to love thee sole - ly.
God canst win us; thou must work all good with - in us.
Church up - rais - es; hear, and bless our prayers and prais - es.

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

The Confession

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

Officiant and People say together

**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

Officiant Lord, open our lips
People And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Officiant and People

**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.**

The mercy of the Lord is everlasting: Come let us adore him.

Jubilate Deo (Psalm 100) “*Before the Lord’s eternal throne*”

Hymnal 391

1 Be - fore the Lord's e - ter - nal throne, ye
 2 His sov - ereign Power with - out our aid formed
 3 We are his peo - ple, we his care, our
 4 We'll crowd thy gates with thank - ful songs, high
 5 Wide as the world is thy com - mand, vast

1 na - tions, bow with sa - cred joy; know that the Lord is
 2 us of clay and gave us breath; and when like wan - dering
 3 souls, and all our mor - tal frame: what last - ing hon - ors
 4 as the heavens our voic - es raise; and earth, with her ten
 5 as e - ter - ni - ty thy love; firm as a rock thy

1 God a - lone; he can cre - ate, and he des - troy.
 2 sheep we strayed, he saved us from the power of death.
 3 shall we rear, al - might - y Ma - ker, to thy Name?
 4 thou - sand tongues, shall fill thy courts with sound - ing praise.
 5 truth must stand, when roll - ing years shall cease to move.

- ¹ You are to be praised, O God, in Zion; *
to you shall vows be performed in Jerusalem.
- ² To you that hear prayer shall all flesh come, *
because of their transgressions.
- ³ Our sins are stronger than we are, *
but you will blot them out.
- ⁴ Happy are they whom you choose
 and draw to your courts to dwell there! *
**they will be satisfied by the beauty of your house,
 by the holiness of your temple.**
- ⁵ Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness,
 O God of our salvation, *
**O Hope of all the ends of the earth
 and of the seas that are far away.**
- ⁶ You make fast the mountains by your power; *
they are girded about with might.
- ⁷ You still the roaring of the seas, *
**the roaring of their waves,
 and the clamor of the peoples.**
- ⁸ Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will tremble at your marvelous signs; *
you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy.
- ⁹ You visit the earth and water it abundantly;
 you make it very plenteous; *
the river of God is full of water.
- ¹⁰ You prepare the grain, *
for so you provide for the earth.
- ¹¹ You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; *
with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.
- ¹² You crown the year with your goodness, *
and your paths overflow with plenty.
- ¹³ May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing, *
and the hills be clothed with joy.
- ¹⁴ May the meadows cover themselves with flocks,
 and the valleys cloak themselves with grain; *
let them shout for joy and sing.

Officiant and People

**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.**

The Lessons

Reader: A reading from the Prophet Isaiah

Isaiah 55:10-13

As the rain and the snow come down from heaven,
 and do not return there until they have watered the earth,
 making it bring forth and sprout,
 giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,
 so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;
 it shall not return to me empty,
 but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,
 and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.
 For you shall go out in joy,
 and be led back in peace;
 the mountains and the hills before you
 shall burst into song,
 and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;
 instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle;
 and it shall be to the LORD for a memorial,
 for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn

"Surely it is God who saves me" (First Song of Isaiah)

Hymnal 679

1 Sure - ly it is God who saves me; trust-ing him, I shall not
 2 Make his deeds known to the peo - ples; tell out his ex - alt - ed

fear. For the Lord de - fends and shields me and his sav - ing
 Name. Praise the Lord, who has done great things; all his works his

help is near. So re - joice as you draw wa - ter from sal -
 might pro - claim. Zi-on, lift your voice in sing-ing; for with

va - tion's liv - ing spring; in the day of your de -
 you has come to dwell, in your ve - ry midst, the

liv - erance thank the Lord, his mer - cies sing.
 great and Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.

Reader A reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans

Romans 8:1-11

There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason, the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Song of Simeon Nunc Dimitis Luke 2:29-32

Lord, you now have set your servant free *
to go in peace as you have promised;
 For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior, *
whom you have prepared for all the world to see:
 A Light to enlighten the nations, *
and the glory of your people Israel.
 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.

Reader: A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!" "Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle

A Song of Praise Benedictus es, Domine

1982 hymnal S-236

1. Glo - ry to you, _____ Lord
 God of our fa - thers; _____ you are wor - thy of praise;
 glo - ry to you. _____ 2. Glo - ry to you _____
 for the ra - diance of your ho - ly Name; we will
 praise you and high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. _____
 3. Glo - ry to you _____ in the splen - dor of your

tem - ple; on the throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to
 you. 4. Glo - ry to you, seat - ed bet -
 ween the Cher - u - bim; we will praise you and
 high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

Descant

5. Glo - ry to you, be -
 5. Glo - ry to you, be - hold - ing the
 hold-ing the depths; in the high vault of
 depths; in the high vault of hea-ven, glo - ry to
 hea - ven, 6. Glo - ry to you,
 you. 6. Glo - ry to you, Fa - ther,
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will
 Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will praise you and
 high-ly ex - alt you Glo - ry to you!
 high-ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

Sermon

Brief period of silent reflection.

The Rev. Maggie Ainslie

The Apostles' Creed

Officiant and People together

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.

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you**

Officiant Let us pray.

Officiant and People (as directed).

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.

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.

Suffrages A

Show us your mercy, O Lord;
 And grant us your salvation.
Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
 Let your people sing with joy.
Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
 For only in you can we live in safety.
Lord, keep this nation under your care;
 And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
Let your way be known upon earth;
 Your saving health among all nations.
Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
 Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
Create in us clean hearts, O God;
 And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

The Collect of the day

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

Anthem:

"Oh, rest in the Lord"
Janet Klik, mezzo-soprano

Felix Mendelssohn

The Intercessor leads the People in authorized intercessions and thanksgivings, leaving time also for personal prayers.

The Prayers of the People Form V

BCP p. 389

After each bidding, the People respond, "Lord, have mercy."

Rejoicing in the fellowship of [the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

To you, O Lord our God.

Silence

For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;
yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and
for ever. *Amen.*

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom (in unison)

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.

Officiant and People

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

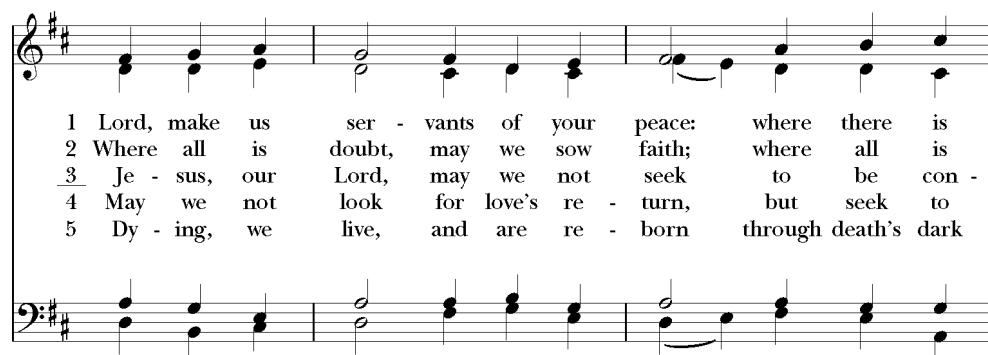
May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

Romans 15:13

Hymn

"Lord, make us servants of your peace"

1982 Hymnal 593



The musical notation consists of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef and the bottom staff is in bass clef. Both staves use a key signature of one sharp (F#) and common time. The lyrics are as follows:

1 Lord, make us ser - vants of your peace: where there is
2 Where all is doubt, may we sow faith; where all is
3 Je - sus, our Lord, may we not seek to be con -
4 May we not look for love's re - turn, but seek to
5 Dy - ing, we live, and are re - born through death's dark

1 hate, may we sow love; where there is hurt, may we for -
 2 gloom, may we sow hope; where all is night, may we sow
 3 soled, but to con - sole, nor look to un - der - stand - ing
 4 love un - self - ish - ly, for in our giv - ing we re -
 5 night to end - less day: Lord, make us ser - vants of your

1 give; where there is strife, may we make one.
 2 light; where all is tears, may we sow joy.
 3 hearts, but look for hearts to un - der - stand.
 4 ceive, and in for - giv - ing are for - given.
 5 peace, to wake at last in hea - ven's light.

Closing Voluntary

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Johann Gottfried Walther

Participants are invited to stay online after the postlude to greet one another by Zoom

This morning:

The Rev. Maggie Ainslie, guest priest

Preacher

Amy Caruso

Presider

Jim Smith

Organist

Bella Englebach

Intercessor

Rebecca and David Clemmer

Responders

John McCurry

Zoom host

Gale Donoghue

Zoom co-host

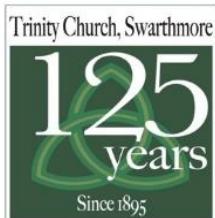
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