

The Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

Morning Prayer Rite II

June 20, 2021

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Hymn: God Is Love, Let Heaven Adore Him

Sung by all

Opening Sentences

Presider Come and worship Christ, the visible image of the invisible God, the firstborn of creation, the eternal God: the one through whom all things were created, and in whom all things are held together.

Confession of Sin & Absolution

Led by Glenn Jussen

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and one another.

All

**Almighty God, Source of all that is, Giver of every good gift:
You create all people in your image and call us to love one another as you love us.
We confess that we have failed to honor you in the great diversity of the human family. We have desired to live in freedom,
while building walls between ourselves and others.
We have longed to be known and accepted for who we are,
while making judgements of others based on the color of skin, or the shape of features, or the varieties of human experience.
We have tried to love our neighbors individually
while yet benefitting from systems that hold those same neighbors in oppression.
Forgive us, Holy God.
Give us eyes to see you as you are revealed in all people.
Strengthen us for the work of reconciliation rooted in love.
Restore us in your image, to be beloved community,
united in our diversity,
even as you are one with Christ and the Spirit,
Holy and undivided Trinity, now and for ever.
Amen**

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

Invitatory & Psalter

Presider 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!**

Presider Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; let the whole earth stand in awe.
Come let us adore him.

Venite

Sung by Motomi Tanaka

Psalms 107

Led by Laura Tyszka

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, *
and his mercy endures for ever.

Let all those whom the Lord has redeemed proclaim *
that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe.

He gathered them out of the lands; *
from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

Some went down to the sea in ships *
and plied their trade in deep waters;

They beheld the works of the Lord *
and his wonders in the deep.

Then he spoke, and a stormy wind arose, *
which tossed high the waves of the sea.

They mounted up to the heavens and fell back to the depths; *
their hearts melted because of their peril.

They reeled and staggered like drunkards *
and were at their wits' end.

Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, *
and he delivered them from their distress.

He stilled the storm to a whisper *
and quieted the waves of the sea.

Then were they glad because of the calm, *
and he brought them to the harbor they were bound for.

Let them give thanks to the Lord for his mercy *
and the wonders he does for his children.

Let them exalt him in the congregation of the people *
and praise him in the council of the elders.

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.

The Lessons

A reading from Paul's second letter to the Corinthians

Read by Jenna McAuley

As we work together with Christ, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain.
For he says,

“At an acceptable time I have listened to you,
and on a day of salvation I have helped you.”

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see-- we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. In return-- I speak as to children-- open wide your hearts also.

The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Halle Halle Halle

sung by the Choir

A reading from the Gospel of Mark.

Read by Daria Rigney

When evening had come, Jesus said to his disciples, “Let us go across to the other side.” And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, “Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?” He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, “Peace! Be still!” Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, “Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?” And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, “Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?”

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

The word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Deacon John Musco

I Will Trust

sung by Taiwan Norris

The Apostles Creed

said in unison

**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 Offertory

We give thanks to God for all we have and all we are. You can give securely online here:

<https://onrealm.org/holyapostles/give/website>

Doxology

Sung by all

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise him all creatures here below,
Praise him above ye heav'nly hosts,
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Presider And now as our Savior Jesus has taught us, we are bold to pray:

The Lord's Prayer LEVAS-264

Sung by all

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed by 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Led by Kallen Tsikilas

Ever faithful Lord,
Ever giving Son,
Ever present Spirit,
For the many gifts you grant us
and the opportunity to enjoy these things;
For your daily provision
and for the constant signs of your healing love;
For the hope amidst despair
and the light which always shines;
For all these things,
'thank you' is just so inadequate
but it's all we have:
... to show our gratitude in word, in thought and in action.

So thank you, loving God
and may our thanks move beyond words
to transform us into thankful people,
faithful people,
seeing people,
people who see need and see the need to act,
people who love to live and live to love,
people who serve you by serving others.

Help us to be amongst those
who include the excluded
and bring in those who are marginalised,
that when the opportunities come our way
to be healers of division and hurt,
to be peacemakers
and restorers,
we won't be found wanting.

Loving, creator Spirit,
We bring before you those people and issues that are closest to us
and that occupy our minds at this time. For those we love who are sick and suffering, for those
we love who are suffering from mental illness, for those we love who are struggling with
addiction, for those we love who are lonely and without hope.....

Mighty, wonderful Sustainer,
we bring before you people and issues from around our country and our world,
including those we'll never know personally
but who remain our sisters and brothers in you; for the people in countries where Covid-19 is
raging, where vaccinations are not readily available, for refugees, for victims of war and
violence....

Transforming, healing God,
help us to make the light shine in dark places,
to make peace known in violent places,
and to bring hope to despondent places.
Our prayers, spoken and silent
are brought to you now
in the name of your Son, Jesus,
the healer, includer and redeemer,
forever.

Dear people of God, for whom and for what do you pray for?

Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail
to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your
lovingkindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy
Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Closing Prayer

Led by Jan Hanen

Friends, please join me in our closing prayer:

God, in whose heart is love and justice, show us this day whom we must love and what we
should challenge or change in order that your will for the earth might be done.

Increase our hope, dispel our apathy; inspire our imagination, and deepen our commitment until
we become the signs of your kingdom for which we and other pray. Amen.

The Benediction

Presider The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in
Christ Jesus and the blessing of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be upon you and
remain with you always.

Closing Hymn: Stand By Me

Sung by all

Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth rejoicing in the power Holy Spirit. Alleluia!

All **Thanks be to God! Alleluia!**

Parting Hymn

May the Lord, mighty Lord, bless you and keep you forever

Bind your heart to his heard, with a bond that nothing can sever

Give you light on the uphill road, and courage in every endeavor

May the Lord, mighty Lord, bless you and keep you forever.