

The Third Sunday after Pentecost

Morning Prayer Service, Proper 6

June 13, 2021 ~ 9:00 a.m.

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Hymn – “I Sing the Almighty Power of God”

I sing the almighty power of God, that made the mountains rise,
that spread the flowing seas abroad and built the lofty skies.
I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day;
the moon shines full at his command, and all the stars obey.

I sing the goodness of the Lord, that filled the earth with food;
he formed the creatures with his Word, and then pronounced them good.
Lord, how thy wonders are displayed, where'er I turn my eye,
if I survey the ground I tread, or gaze upon the sky!

There's not a plant or flower below, but makes thy glories known,
and clouds arise, and tempests blow, by order from thy throne;
while all that borrows life from thee is ever in thy care,
and everywhere that I could be, thou, God, art present there.

Opening Sentence

Officiant You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.

Confession of Sin

Officiant Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to set forth his praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

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.**

The Officiant continues

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.

All **Amen.**

Invitatory

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

All **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Jubilate (*said responsively by whole verse*)

Officiant Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; *
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.

All **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.**

Officiant Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; *
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

All **For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; *
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.**

Antiphon

Officiant Alleluia. The Lord is risen indeed: Come let us adore him.

All **Alleluia.**

Psalm 20 (*said responsively by whole verse*)

Officiant The Lord answer you in the day of trouble!
 The name of the God of Jacob protect you!

All **May he send you help from the sanctuary,
and give you support from Zion.**

Officiant May he remember all your offerings,
 and regard with favour your burnt sacrifices.

All **May he grant you your heart's desire,
and fulfil all your plans.**

Officiant May we shout for joy over your victory,
 and in the name of our God set up our banners.

All **Now I know that the Lord will help his anointed;
he will answer him from his holy heaven
with mighty victories by his right hand.**

Officiant Some take pride in chariots, and some in horses,
 but our pride is in the name of the Lord our God.

All **They will collapse and fall,
but we shall rise and stand upright.**

Officiant Give victory to the king, O Lord;
 answer us when we call.

First Reading **1 Samuel 15:34 - 16:13**

Then Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul. Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the Lord was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel. The Lord said to Samuel, 'How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being

king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.’ Samuel said, ‘How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me.’ And the Lord said, ‘Take a heifer with you, and say, “I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.” Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you.’ Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, ‘Do you come peaceably?’ He said, ‘Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.’ And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, ‘Surely the Lord’s anointed is now before the Lord.’ But the Lord said to Samuel, ‘Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart.’ Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, ‘Neither has the Lord chosen this one.’ Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, ‘Neither has the Lord chosen this one.’ Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, ‘The Lord has not chosen any of these.’ Samuel said to Jesse, ‘Are all your sons here?’ And he said, ‘There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.’ And Samuel said to Jesse, ‘Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.’ He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, ‘Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.’ Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle 11: The Third Song of Isaiah *(said responsively by whole verse)*

Officiant Arise, shine, for your light has come, *
and the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you.

All **For behold, darkness covers the land; *
deep gloom enshrouds the peoples.**

Officiant But over you the Lord will rise, *
and his glory will appear upon you.

All **Nations will stream to your light, *
and kings to the brightness of your dawning.**

Officiant Your gates will always be open; *
by day or night they will never be shut.

All **They will call you, The City of the Lord, *
The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.**

Officiant Violence will no more be heard in your land, *
ruin or destruction within your borders.

All **You will call your walls, Salvation, *
and all your portals, Praise.**

Officiant The sun will no more be your light by day; *
by night you will not need the brightness of the moon.

All **The Lord will be your everlasting light, *
and your God will be your glory.**

Officiant 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.

Second Reading 2 Corinthians 5:6-10-17

So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord— for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgement seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.

From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

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Canticle 16: The Song of Zechariah *(said responsively by whole verse)*

Officiant Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; *
he has come to his people and set them free.

All **He has raised up for us a mighty savior, *
born of the house of his servant David.**

Officiant Through his holy prophets he promised of old,
that he would save us from our enemies, *
from the hands of all who hate us.

All **He promised to show mercy to our fathers *
and to remember his holy covenant.**

Officiant This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, *
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

All **Free to worship him without fear, *
holy and righteous in his sight
all the days of our life.**

Officiant You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, *
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,

All **To give his people knowledge of salvation *
by the forgiveness of their sins.**

Officiant In the tender compassion of our God *
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,

All **To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death,
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.**

Officiant 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 Gospel **Mark 4:26-34**

Officiant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark.

All **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

He also said, ‘The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.’ He also said, ‘With what can we

compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.' 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.

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The Sermon.....Ginnie Glassman

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.
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

Officiant The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

The Lord's Prayer (*Officiant and People*)

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 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.**

Suffrages B

Officiant Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;

All **Govern and uphold them, now and always.**

Officiant Day by day we bless you;

All **We praise your name for ever.**

Officiant Lord, keep us from all sin today;

All **Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.**

Officiant Lord, show us your love and mercy;

All **For we put our trust in you.**

Officiant In you, Lord, is our hope;

All **And we shall never hope in vain.**

Solo by Matthew Johnson “All Good Gifts” Stephen Schwartz

Collect

Officiant 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.

All **Amen.**

Collect for the Renewal of Life

Reader O God, the King eternal, whose light divides the day from the night and turns the shadow of death into the morning: Drive far from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep your law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that, having done your will with cheerfulness during the day, we may, when night comes, rejoice to give you thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Intercessional Prayer

Officiant Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

All **Amen.**

Intercessory Prayers

Reader We commend to your Goodness all those who are in any way afflicted or distressed in mind or body. Give them patience under the suffering and power of endurance. We pray especially this week Justin, Evan, Grace, Anna, Max, Roger, Ellie, Rob, Doug, Sal, Maggie, David, Joanne, Tom, Stephen, Leslie, Diane, Amanda, and Jay.

Reader We pray for all those who grieve the loss of a loved one. We pray especially for the families of Elizabeth, Charles, Bertha, Eunice, and Mary.

Officiant O King of all the nations, only joy of every heart, keystone of the mighty arch who makes us one: Come and save the creature you fashioned from clay. Glory to you for ever.

All **Amen.**

The General Thanksgiving

All **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.**

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

The Officiant concludes

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

All **Amen.**

Closing Hymn “Holy God, We Praise Thy Name”

Holy God, we praise thy name.
God of all, we bow before thee.
All on earth your scepter claim;

all in heav'n above adore thee.
Infinite thy vast domain,
everlasting is thy reign.

Hark, the loud celestial hymn,
angel choirs above are raising.
Cherubim and seraphim,
in unceasing chorus praising,
fill the heav'ns with sweet accord:
Holy, holy, holy Lord.

Lo! the apostolic train
join thy sacred name to hallow.
Prophets swell the glad refrain,
and the blessed martyrs follow,
and, from morn till set of sun,
through the church the song goes on.

Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**