

Christ Church Cathedral † Nashville, Tennessee

Sunday, September 13, 2020 FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Proper 19, Year A

PRELUDE Max Williams, Lee Armstrong, Richard Wineland

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We are so glad you have joined us this evening and we hope you make yourself comfortable and enjoy an ancient service of worship in a casual context.
- The offering you submit online this evening will represent the first fruits of your life and labor dedicated to God. It will be used for the work of God's kingdom at the corner of 9th and Broadway, and beyond.
- We are celebrating the service of Holy Eucharist, Rite Two, which begins on (*BCP*, *p. 355*).

OPENING HYMN They'll Know We are Christians by our Love

-Trad. folk melody

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Leader Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.

Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

Leader

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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.

People Amen

SONG OF PRAISE Bless the Lord, my soul

-Jacques Berthier (Taize Community)

Bless the Lord, my soul; and and bless God's holy name Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Leader The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.

Leader Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON -Genesis 50:15-21

Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, 'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 103:1-13

- Bless the LORD, O my soul, * and all that is within me, bless his holy Name.
- 2 Bless the LORD, O my soul, * and forget not all his benefits.
- 3 He forgives all your sins * and heals all your infirmities;
- 4 He redeems your life from the grave * and crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness;
- 5 He satisfies you with good things, * and your youth is renewed like an eagle's.
- 6 The LORD executes righteousness * and judgment for all who are oppressed.
- 7 He made his ways known to Moses * and his works to the children of Israel.
- 8 The LORD is full of compassion and mercy, * slow to anger and of great kindness.
- 9 He will not always accuse us, * nor will he keep his anger for ever.
- 10 He has not dealt with us according to our sins, * nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.

- 11 For as the heavens are high above the earth, * so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.
- 12 As far as the east is from the west, * so far has he removed our sins from us.
- 13 As a father cares for his children, * so does the LORD care for those who fear him.

GOSPEL HYMN Freely, Freely

God forgave my sin in Jesus' name, I've been born again in Jesus' name And in Jesus' name I come to you, to share his love as he told me to He said...

> Freely, freely you have received, freely, freely give Go in my name and because you believe, others will know that I live

All power is giv'n in Jesus' name, in earth and heaven in Jesus' name And in Jesus' name I come to you, to share his power as he told me to He said... (refrain)

THE GOSPEL LESSON - Matthew 18:21-35

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

"For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON – The Reverend Lissa Smith A moment of silence and reflection follows the sermon.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM IV

The Leader and People pray responsively

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. We pray For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church; and John, the Bishop of Tennessee and for all the clergy and people. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless the missions of this congregation in Bolivia, Iraq, and Haiti, especially St. Andre's Church, Hinche, Haiti, and the Reverend Noé Bernier. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for the Anglican Church of South

America, the Most Reverend Gregory James Venables, Presiding Bishop of the Anglican Church of South America and Bishop of Argentina. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we remember St. Joseph of Arimathea, Hendersonville.

Silence

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. We pray for all those serving our country at home and abroad, and all those who suffer because of civil strife, that war may end and peace be established. *Silence*

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.

Silence

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.

Silence

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. For all teachers, students, and administrators and all places of learning. For those affected by the wildfires in the west, and for all those displaced from their homes. *Silence*

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.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins. *Silence may be kept.*

Leader and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Worship Leader concludes with the Collect.

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

THE PEACE

Leader The peace of the Lord be always with you. *La paz del Senor sea siempre contigo.*

People And also with you.

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY HYMN



Scan this QR code with your phone to leave your tithe and offering.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Leader 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.

Leader Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Eucharistic Prayer continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

But chiefly we are bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

Leader And so we join the saints and angels in proclaiming your glory, and we sing,

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, LORD

- From Mass of Creation by M. Haugen

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power, God of might, heaven and earth are full of your glory
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest!

The Eucharistic Prayer continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Leader and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit + to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.

Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen**.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Leader As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

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 thou is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Eat This Bread

J. Berthier, Taize Community

Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and never be hungry Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst

THE INVITATION

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Leader Let us pray.

People Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

CLOSING WORDS OF THANKS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Many thanks to our readers, musicians, and to our technical director, Roger Rhoads. And to all those behind the scenes...

Please join us here at Christ Church Cathedral for BreakingBread@6 every Sunday evening. You are also invited to join our private Facebook group here: https://bit.ly/2LQyZ0d

If you are new to the BreakingBread@6 community and would like to be on our weekly email update, sign up here: https://bit.ly/36pUy12

If you would like more information or have any questions, please contact rwineland@christcathedral.org

ON THE FIRST SUNDAY EVENING OF EACH MONTH

The "BB@6 Zoom Coffee Hour" from 5:00 to 5:50 p.m., the link will be provided in the weekly email update prior to that first Sunday of the month. Next Coffee Hour will be Sunday, October 4.

THE BLESSING

May the blessing of the God of Abraham and Sarah, and of Jesus Christ born of our sister Mary, and of the Holy Spirit who broods over the world as a mother over her children, be among us, and remain with us always. **Amen**.

CLOSING SONG

Put a Little Love in your Heart

DeShannon, Myers, Holiday

Think of your fellow man, lend him a helping hand, put a little love in your heart You see it's getting late, oh, please don't hesitate, Put a little love in your heart

> And the world will be a better place, and the world will be a better place For you and me...just wait and see

Another day goes by, still the children cry, put a little love in your heart If you want the world to know, we won't let hatred grow, Put a little love in your heart

And the world (and the world) will be a better place And the world (and the world) will be a better place For you (for you) and me (and me) Just wait (just wait) and see Take a good look around, and if you're looking down, put a little love in your heart I hope when you decide, kindness will be your guide, put a little love in your heart

THE DISMISSAL

Leader Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

WORSHIP LEADER/PREACHER

The Reverend Lissa Smith, Associate for Pastoral Care and Cathedral Life

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Max Williams, Lee Armstrong

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