

Christ Church Cathedral **†** Nashville, Tennessee

Sunday, September 27, 2020 SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Proper 21, Year A

PRELUDE Jerry Kimbrough

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	Come thou fount of every blessing	R. Robinson
	Come thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace!	
	Streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise	
	Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above	
	Praise the mount! O fix me on it, mount of God's unchanging love	
	Here I find my greatest treasure, hither, by thy help I've come	
	And I hope by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home	
	Jesus sought me when a stranger wandering from the fold of God	
	He, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood	
	Oh, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be	
	Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee	
	Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love	
	Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above	

OPENING ACCLAMATION

LeaderBlessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.PeopleAnd 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 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, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON - Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32

The word of the LORD came to me: What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, "The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge"? As I live, says the LORD God, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. Know that all lives are mine; the life of the parent as well as the life of the child is mine: it is only the person who sins that shall die.

Yet you say, "The way of the LORD is unfair." Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? When the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it; for the iniquity that they have committed they shall die. Again, when the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful and right, they shall save their life. Because they considered and turned away from all the transgressions that they had committed, they shall surely live; they shall not die. Yet the house of Israel says, "The way of the LORD is unfair." O house of Israel, are my ways unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair?

Therefore, I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the LORD God. Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise iniquity will be your ruin. Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, says the LORD God. Turn, then, and live

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

PSALM 25:1-8

- 1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; * let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; * let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- 3 Show me your ways, O LORD, * and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, * for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.
- 5 Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, * for they are from everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; * remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.
- 7 Gracious and upright is the LORD; * therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- 8 He guides the humble in doing right * and teaches his way to the lowly.

GOSPEL HYMN

If You Believe and I Believe

Zimbabwe Traditional

If you believe and I believe, and we together pray The Holy Spirit must come down and set God's people free

And set God's people free, and set God's people free The Holy Spirit must come down and set God's people free

THE GOSPEL LESSON - Matthew 21:23-32

ReaderThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

"What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you.

For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

ReaderThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON – The Venerable Roger Saterstrom *A moment of silence and reflection follows the sermon.*

CONFESSION OF FAITH (BCP, p. 358)

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. George's Church, Baghdad, Iraq. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for the Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan, the Most Reverend Ezekiel Kumir Kondo, Archbishop of the Province of Sudan, and Bishop of Khartoum. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we remember St. Ann's Church, Nashville.

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. We especially remember today the life and work of Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg. 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 mercif ul 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

LeaderThe peace of the Lord be always with you.La paz del Senor sea siempre contigo.PeopleAnd also with you.

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY HYMN Jerry Kimbrough



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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Leader	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Leader	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them to the Lord.
Leader	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.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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, musician, 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: <u>https://bit.ly/2LQyZ0d</u>

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

If you would like more information or have any questions, please contact **<u>rwineland@christcathedral.org</u>**

ON THE FIRST SUNDAY EVENING OF EACH MONTH

Join us for the monthly **BB@6 Coffee Hour on Sunday, October 4 at 5:00 p.m.** to chat with the Reverend Richard Wineland and other parishioners before the liturgy at 6:00 p.m. This coffee hour takes place every first Sunday of the month, mark your calendars.

Next Sunday at 5:00 p.m. BreakingBread@6 Zoom Coffee Hour: <u>https://zoom.us/j/98134636133</u> Meeting **ID: 981 3463 6133**

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	What wondrous love is this	American folk hymn,
		c. 1835
	What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!	
	What wondrous love is this, O my soul!	
	What wondrous love is this, that caused the Lord of blis	S
	To lay aside his crown for my soul, for my soul	
	To lay aside his crown for my soul	
	To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing	
	To God and to the Lamb I will sing	
	To God and to the Lamb, who is the great I AM	
	While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing	
	While millions join the theme I will sing	
	And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on	
	And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on	
	And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be	
	And through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on	
	And through eternity I'll sing on	
THE DISMISSAL		

LeaderGo in peace to love and serve the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

WORSHIP LEADER

The Reverend Richard Wineland, Coordinator and Pastor for BreakingBread@6

PREACHER

The Venerable Roger Saterstrom, Archdeacon

MUSICIAN

Jerry Kimbrough, Guitar