

# The 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost August 30, 2020

Welcome

**Prelude** Voluntary in G William Walond

**Hymn**All hail the power of Jesus' name!
Hymn 450

All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostate fall; bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all! bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!

Crown him ye martyrs of our God, who from his altar call; praise him whose way of pain ye trod, and crown him Lord of all! praise him whose way of pain ye trod, and crown him Lord of all!

Hail him, the Heir of David's line, whom David Lord did call, the God incarnate, Man divine, and crown him Lord of all! the God incarnate, Man divine, and crown him Lord of all!

Let every kindred, every tribe, on this terrestrial ball, to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all! to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!

## **Opening Acclamation**

Clergy O God, who created the heavens and stretched them out,

All we praise you!

Clergy You made the earth and all that lives here:

All we praise you!

Clergy You give breath to all creatures and your Spirit to all people:

All we praise and thank you, O God!

Clergy That the eyes of the blinded be opened, the poor hear the good news, the captives be brought

out of darkness, the wealth of the world serve the good of all,

All your kingdom come, O God; your will be done!

Clergy Then let us sing a new song to God.

All With joy let us honor our maker.

#### Collect of the Day

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

Clergy Let us pray.

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

Reading Romans 12:9-21

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

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

#### Psalm 26:1-8

- Give judgment for me, O Lord, for I have lived with integrity; I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered.
- <sup>2</sup> Test me, O Lord, and try me; examine my heart and my mind.
- For your love is before my eyes; I have walked faithfully with you.
- I have not sat with the worthless, nor do I consort with the deceitful.
- I have hated the company of evildoers; I will not sit down with the wicked.
- I will wash my hands in innocence, O Lord, that I may go in procession round your altar,

- Singing aloud a song of thanksgiving and recounting all your wonderful deeds.
- Lord, I love the house in which you dwell and the place where your glory abides.

**Hymn** Take my life, and let it be Hymn 707

Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee;
Take my moments and my days, let them end in ceaseless praise.
Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of thy love;
Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my voice and let me sing always, only, for my King; Take my intellect, and use every power as thou shalt choose. Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine. Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

Holy Gospel Matthew 16:21-28

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?

"For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Becky Coerper

#### The Apostles' Creed

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.

### Prayers of the People

Leader To God who so loved the world, let us pray with hearts full of love.

(A brief silence)

For the church everywhere: In our Parishes, we pray for Trinity Church in Fayetteville and their Rector the Rev. Dr. Renee Tembeckjian; and All Saints' Church in Fulton and their Parish Priest the Rev. Dr. Leon Mozeliak. In our Diocese, we pray for the clergy and parishes in the Utica-Rome District. In our Companion Diocese, we pray for Inglesia de San Marcos in Izalco, Sonsonate and their priest the Rev. Mario Nunez. In the Episcopal Church, we pray for the Diocese of Atlanta and their bishop the Rt. Rev. Robert Wright. And in the Anglican Communion, we pray for the United Church of South India and the Most Revd Dharmaraj Rasalam. May the church's life be marked by prayer and service to those in need. Loving God; hear us as we pray.

For peace among all peoples of the earth: may God redeem us from the slavery of selfishness. Loving God; hear us as we pray.

For the health and sustainability of the earth and all living things: may we grow as stewards of the marvelous gift you have given in all of creation. Loving God; hear us as we pray.

For this nation and our local communities: may we continually seek to offer gifts of care and advocacy, intervention and support until all people live in justice and freedom. Loving God; hear us as we pray.

For those who suffer from any illness, be it physical, mental, or spiritual, especially those we name silently or aloud \_\_\_\_\_\_. May they know the healing touch of Jesus to be a source of rest, comfort, and restoration. Loving God; hear us as we pray.

For those we have loved but see no longer, especially those we name silently or aloud \_\_\_\_\_. May they live forever with God in Christ. Loving God; hear us as we pray.

Clergy Hear our prayers, loving and gracious God, and receive them for the sake of your Son our Savior, Jesus Christ. **Amen.** 

Music for Reflection Come to Me Weston Priory

#### The Lord's Prayer

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.

#### Prayer for mission

God of all power and love, we give thanks for your unfailing presence and the hope you provide in times of uncertainty and loss. Send your Holy Spirit to enkindle in us your holy fire. Revive us to live as Christ's body in the world: a people who pray, worship, learn, break bread, share life, heal neighbors, bear good news, seek justice, rest and grow in the Spirit. Wherever and however we gather, unite us in common prayer and send us in common mission, that we and the whole creation might be restored and renewed, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### **Announcements**

### Anniversary & Birthday Blessings

May the strength of God pilot you, May the power of God preserve you, May the wisdom of God instruct you, May the hand of God protect you, May the way of God direct you, May the shield of God guard you against the snares of evil and the temptations of the world. May the Spirit of God bless you in the coming year.

Adapted from Patrick, c.389 - c.46

## Blessing

Clergy Now go in peace,

do what God wills, follow where Christ calls, pray for the gifts of the Spirit; and may the blessing of God, Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer

Rest on and remain with you now and always.

All Amen.

**Hymn** God is Love Hymn 379

God is Love, let heaven adore him; God is Love, let earth rejoice; let creation sing before him and exalt him with one voice.

God who laid the earth's foundation, God who spread the heavens above, God who breathes through all creation: God is Love, eternal Love.

God is Love; and love enfolds us, all the world in one embrace: with unfailing grasp God holds us, every child of every race. And when human hearts are breaking under sorrow's iron rod, then we find that selfsame aching, deep within the heart of God.

God is Love; and though with blindness sin afflicts all human life, God's eternal loving kindness guides us through our earthly strife. Sin and death and hell shall never o'er us final triumph gain; God is love, so Love forever o'er the universe must reign.

## Dismissal

Clergy God has told us what is good and right;

Live justly, Love kindly, Walk with God.

All Amen. Alleluia. Thanks be to God.

Postlude Abbot's Leigh Robert Hobby

Additional source for today's liturgy: Iona Abbey Worship Book