



**The 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
October 11, 2020**

**Welcome**

**Prelude**

*Fugue in C Major*

J. S. Bach

**Hymn**

*Christ, whose glory fills the skies*

Hymn 7

Christ, whose glory fills the skies  
Christ, the true, the only Light,  
sun of Righteousness, arise!  
Triumph o'er the shades of night:  
dayspring from on high, be near;  
daystar, in my heart appear.

Dark and cheerless is the morn  
unaccompanied by thee;  
joyless is the day's return,  
till thy mercy's beams I see,  
till they inward light impart,  
glad my eyes, and warm my heart.

Visit then this soul of mine!  
Pierce the gloom of sin and grief!  
Fill me, radiancy divine;  
scatter all my unbelief;  
more and more thyself display,  
shining to the perfect day.

**Opening Acclamation**

*Leader* The world belongs to God  
*All* **the earth and all its people.**

*Leader* How good it is, how wonderful  
*All* **to live together in unity.**

*Leader* Love and mercy come together;  
*All* **justice and peace join hands.**

*Leader* Open our lips, O God,  
*All* **and our mouths shall proclaim your praise.**

## Glory to God

Glo - - ri - a, glor - - ri - a, in ex - cel - - sis De - o!  
Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glor - ry in the high - est!

Glo - - ri - a, glo - - ri - a, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

## Collect of the Day

*Clergy* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Clergy* Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## Reading

**Philippians 4:1-9**

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

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

## Psalm 23

<sup>1</sup> The LORD is my shepherd;  
I shall not be in want.

<sup>2</sup> He makes me lie down in green pastures  
and leads me beside still waters.

- 3 He revives my soul  
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I shall fear no evil;  
for you are with me;  
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me;  
you have anointed my head with oil,  
and my cup is running over.
- 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

## Hymn

*The King of love my shepherd is*

Hymn 645  
(vs. 1,2,5,6)

The King of love my shepherd is,  
whose goodness faileth never;  
I nothing lack if I am his,  
and he is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow,  
my ransomed soul he leadeth,  
and where the verdant pastures grow,  
with food celestial feedeth.

Thou spread'st a table in my sight;  
thy unction grace bestoweth;  
and oh, what transport of delight  
from thy pure chalice floweth.

And so through all the length of days  
thy goodness faileth never:  
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise  
within thy house forever.

## Holy Gospel

**Matthew 22:1-14**

*Priest* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.  
*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is

ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

"But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

*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*        Let us pray to the Lord who is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.

*(A brief silence)*

Enliven the Church for its mission: In our Parishes, we pray for the people of Christ Episcopal Church, Manlius and their pastor, the Rev. Richard Klafehn; and the people of St. John's Episcopal Church, Marathon and their priest, the Rev. Tom Margrave. In our Companion Diocese, we pray for all women in the Anglican Communion as we observe Mes de la Mujer Anglicana (Anglican Women's Month) in October. In the Episcopal Church, we pray for the people of the Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast and their bishop, The Rt. Rev. James Russell Kendrick. And in the Anglican Communion, we pray for the people of the Church of the Province of Uganda and their archbishop, the Most Rev. Stephen Samuel Kaziimba. May the church's life be marked by prayer and service to those in need.

*People*        **that we may reveal Christ in word and action.**

*Leader*        Lead this and every nation into ways of justice and peace,

*People*        **that we may respect one another in freedom and truth.**

*Leader*        Inspire with your wisdom, those whose decisions affect the lives of others,

*People*        **that all may act with integrity and courage.**

*Leader*        Awaken in us a sense of wonder for the earth and all that is in it,

*People*        **teach us to care creatively for its resources.**

*Leader* Restore all who suffer in body, mind or spirit, especially those we name now \_\_\_\_\_,  
*People* **may they know the power of your healing love.**

*Leader* We remember with thanksgiving, those who have died, especially those we name now \_\_\_\_\_,  
*People* **Give comfort to those who mourn, bring them peace in their time of loss.**

*Leader*  
Lord you have called us to serve you. Grant that we may walk in your presence: your love in our hearts,  
your truth in our minds, your strength in our wills; until, at the end of our journey, we know the joy of  
our homecoming and the welcome of your embrace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **Music for Reflection**

*Be still for the glory of the Lord*

David Evans

## **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 may God,  
who gives seed to the sower  
and grain to the reaper,  
provide all that we need  
so that we may produce a rich harvest  
of faith, love, justice, and joy  
for the good of the earth and its people  
and to the glory of God.

And the blessing of God,  
Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer,  
be with you all now and evermore.

*All* **Amen.**

**Hymn**

*O God, our help in ages past*

Hymn 680

O god, our help in ages past,  
our hope for years to come,  
our shelter from the stormy blast,  
and our eternal home:

under the shadow of thy throne  
thy saints have dwelt secure;  
sufficient is thine arm alone,  
and our defense is sure.

Before the hills in order stood,  
or earth received her frame,  
from everlasting thou art God,  
to endless years the same.

A thousand ages in thy sight  
are like an evening gone;  
short as the watch that ends the night  
before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever rolling stream,  
bears all our years away;  
they fly, forgotten, as a dream  
dies at the opening day.

**Dismissal**

*Clergy* Reconciled to God, made a new creation in Christ, and anointed by the Holy Spirit,  
go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**

*Prelude in C Major*

J.S. Bach

*Additional source for today's liturgy:*  
A New Zealand Prayer Book  
Iona Abbey Worship Book  
Prayer for Sundays and Seasons