

THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 21, 2020 10 a.m.

Virtual Worship – Holy Eucharist Rite II (Alternative Form)

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## THE ORDER FOR DAILY MORNING PRAYER.

Processional Hymn

*Christ for the world we sing! (verse 1)*

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Christ for the world we sing!  
The world to Christ we bring  
with loving zeal;  
the poor, and them that mourn,  
the faint and overborne,  
sin-sick and sorrow-worn,  
whom Christ doth heal.

*Minister*

Thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is Holy; I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones. *Isaiah 57:15*

*Then the Minister shall say,*

DEARLY beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us, in sundry places, to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloak them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought, at all times, humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart, and humble voice, unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying—

*A General Confession.*

*To be said by the whole Congregation. with the Minister, all kneeling.*

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father; We have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; And we have done those things which we ought not to have done; And there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore thou those who are penitent; According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake; That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

*The Declaration of Absolution, or Remission of Sins.*

*To be made by the Priest alone, standing; the People still kneeling.*

ALMIGHTY God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness and live, hath given power, and commandment, to his Ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the Absolution and Remission of their sins. He pardoneth and absolveth all those who truly repent, and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel.

Wherefore let us beseech him to grant us true repentance, and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him which we do at this present; and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*Then the Minister shall kneel, and say the Lord's Prayer; the People still kneeling, and repeating it with him.*

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.

*Then likewise he shall say,*

*Minister.* O Lord, open thou our lips.

*Answer.* And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

*Here, all standing up, the Minister shall say,*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

*Answer.* As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

*Minister.* Praise ye the Lord.

*Answer.* The Lord's Name be praised.

*Minister.* The Lord is glorious in his saints:

*Answer.* O come, let us adore him.

*Minister and People together:*

Venite, exultemus Domino.

O COME, let us sing unto the LORD; \*

let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving; \*

and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.

For the LORD is a great God; \*

and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are all the corners of the earth; \*

and the strength of the hills is his also.

The sea is his, and he made it; \*

and his hands prepared the dry land.

O come, let us worship and fall down, \*

and kneel before the LORD our Maker.

For he is the Lord our God; \*

and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

O worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness; \*

let the whole earth stand in awe of him.

For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth; \*

and with righteousness to judge the world, and the people with his truth.

*Lay Reader*

Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17

<sup>1</sup>Incline your ear, O Lord, and answer me,  
for I am poor and needy.

<sup>2</sup>Preserve my life, for I am devoted to you;  
save your servant who trusts in you.

You are my God;

<sup>3</sup>Be gracious to me, O Lord,  
for to you do I cry all day long.

<sup>4</sup>Gladden the soul of your servant,  
for to you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

<sup>5</sup>For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving,  
abounding in steadfast love to all who call on you.

<sup>6</sup>Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer;  
listen to my cry of supplication.

<sup>7</sup>In the day of my trouble I call on you,  
for you will answer me.

<sup>8</sup>There is none like you among the gods, O Lord,  
nor are there any works like yours.

<sup>9</sup>All the nations you have made shall come  
and bow down before you, O Lord,  
and shall glorify your name.

<sup>10</sup>For you are great and do wondrous things;  
you alone are God. Turn to me and be gracious to me; give your strength to your servant; save  
the child of your serving girl.

<sup>17</sup>Show me a sign of your favor,  
so that those who hate me may see it and be put to shame,  
because you, Lord, have helped me and comforted me.

GLORY be to the Father, and to the Son, \*  
and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, \*  
world without end. Amen.

*Here shall be said or sung the following Hymn.*

*Lay Reader*

*Te Deum laudamus.*

WE praise thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.

All the earth doth worship thee, the Father everlasting.

To thee all Angels cry aloud; the Heavens, and all the Powers therein;

To thee Cherubim and Seraphim continually do cry,

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;

Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty of thy glory.

The glorious company of the Apostles praise thee.  
The goodly fellowship of the Prophets praise thee.  
The noble army of Martyrs praise thee.  
The holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge thee;  
The Father of an infinite Majesty;  
Thine adorable, true and only Son;  
Also the Holy Ghost the Comforter.

THOU art the King of Glory, O Christ.

Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.

When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man, thou didst humble thyself to be born of a Virgin.

When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death, thou didst open the Kingdom of Heaven to all believers.

Thou sittest at the right hand of God, in the glory of the Father.

We believe that thou shalt come to be our Judge.

We therefore pray thee, help thy servants, whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.

Make them to be numbered with thy Saints, in glory everlasting.

O LORD, save thy people, and bless thine heritage.

Govern them and lift them up for ever.

Day by day we magnify thee;

And we worship thy Name ever, world without end.

Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin.

O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.

O Lord, let thy mercy be upon us, as our trust is in thee.

O Lord, in thee have I trusted; let me never be confounded.

*Lay Reader*

Here beginneth the 6th Chapter of Romans, beginning at the 1st verse.

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Here endeth the Lesson.

BLESSED be the Lord God of Israel; \*  
for he hath visited and redeemed his people;  
And hath raised up a mighty salvation for us, \*  
in the house of his servant David;  
As he spake by the mouth of his holy Prophets, \*  
which have been since the world began;  
That we should be saved from our enemies, \*  
and from the hand of all that hate us.  
To perform the mercy promised to our forefathers, \*  
and to remember his holy covenant;  
To perform the oath which he sware to our forefather Abraham, \*  
that he would give us;  
That we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies \*  
might serve him without fear;  
In holiness and righteousness before him, \*  
all the days of our life.  
And thou, child, shalt be called the prophet of the Highest: \*  
for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways;  
To give knowledge of salvation unto his people \*  
for the remission of their sins,  
Through the tender mercy of our God; \*  
whereby the day-spring from on high hath visited us;  
To give light to them that sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death, \*  
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

*Minister*

Here beginneth the 10<sup>th</sup> Chapter of Matthew, beginning at the 24<sup>th</sup> verse.

“A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master; it is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servantlike his master. If they have called the master of the house Be-el'zebul, how much more will they malign those of his household.” So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. What I tell you in the dark, utter in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim upon the housetops. And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground without your Father’s will. But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. <sup>31</sup> Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. So every one who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven; but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven. “Do not think that I have come to bring peace on earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and a man’s foes will be those of his own household. He who loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and he who loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and he who does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. He who finds his life will lose it, and he who loses his life for my sake will find it.

Here endeth the Lesson.

The *Sermon*

The Reverend Linda Suzanne C. Borgen

*Minister and People together:*

*The Creed commonly called the Nicene Creed.*

I BELIEVE in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God; Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; By whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man: And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried: And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures: And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father: And he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; Who spake by the Prophets: And I believe one Catholic and Apostolic Church: I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins: And I look for the Resurrection of the dead: And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

*Minister.* The Lord be with you.

*Answer.* And with thy spirit.

*Minister.* Let us pray.

These Prayers following, the people devoutly kneeling; the Minister first pronouncing,

*Minister.* O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.

*Answer.* And grant us thy salvation.

*Minister.* O God, make clean our hearts within us.

*Answer.* And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

*Intercessor*

O GOD, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom; Defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries, through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O LORD, our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day; Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings, being ordered by thy governance, may be righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O LORD our Governor, whose glory is in all the world; We commend this nation to thy merciful care, that being guided by thy Providence, we may dwell secure in thy peace. Grant to THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, Donald Trump, and to all in Authority, wisdom and strength to know and to do thy will. Fill them with the love of truth and righteousness; and make them ever mindful of their calling to serve this people in thy fear; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, from whom cometh every good and perfect gift; Send down upon our Bishops, and other Clergy, and upon the Congregations committed to their charge, the healthful Spirit of thy grace; and, that they may truly please thee, pour upon them the continual dew of thy blessing. Grant this, O Lord, for the honour of our Advocate and Mediator, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

O GOD, the Creator and Preserver of all mankind, we humbly beseech thee for all sorts and conditions of men; that thou wouldest be pleased to make thy ways known unto them, thy saving health unto all nations. More especially we pray for thy holy Church universal; that it may be so guided and governed by thy good Spirit, that all who profess and call themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. Finally, we commend to thy fatherly goodness all those who are any ways afflicted, or distressed, in mind, body, or estate; we pray especially for those on our parish prayer list \_\_\_\_\_ that it may please thee to comfort and relieve them, according to their several necessities; giving them patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out of all their afflictions. And this we beg for Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.*

*Minister and People together A General Thanksgiving.*

ALMIGHTY God, Father of all mercies, we, thine unworthy servants, do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all men; We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for thine inestimable 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 beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful; and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

*A Prayer of St. Chrysostom.*

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests; Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

Christ for the world we sing!  
The world to Christ we bring  
With joyful song;  
The newborn souls, whose days, reclaimed  
From error's ways,  
Inspired with hope and praise,  
To Christ belong.

*Minister*

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost,  
be with us all evermore. *Amen.* 2 Cor. 13:14

*Here endeth the Order of Morning Prayer.*

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