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THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MORNING PRAYER: RITE I
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W E L C O M E

To all who are spiritually weary *and seek rest,*
to all who mourn *and long for comfort,*
to all who struggle *and desire victory,*
to all who sin *and need a Savior,*
to all who are strangers *and want fellowship,*
to all who hunger *and thirst after righteousness,*
to all who have been blessed *and wish to give thanks,*
and to whoever will come—*this church opens wide her doors*
and offers her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

MORNING PRAYER: RITE I

THE PRELUDE

Prelude and Fugue in E minor, BWV 533

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

THE INTROIT

I Sat Down

Edward Bairstow (1874-1946)

I sat down under his shadow with great delight, and his fruit was sweet to my taste.
He brought me to the banqueting house, and his banner over me was love.

Words: Song of Songs 2:3-4 Music: Edward C. Bairstow (1874-1946)

THE WORD OF GOD

The people are invited to stand and sing the opening hymn.

THE OPENING HYMN 376

Come Down, O Love Divine

Down Ampney

Come down, O Love divine, seek thou this soul of mine,
And visit it with thine own ardor glowing.
O Comforter, draw near, within my heart appear,
And kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn. Till earthly passions turn
To dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
And let thy glorious light shine ever on my sight,
And clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

And so the yearning strong, with which the soul will long,
Shall far out-pass the power of human telling.
For none can guess its grace, till love create a place
Wherein the Holy Spirit makes a dwelling.

Words: Bianco Da Siena, d. 1464; Tr. R. F. Littledale, 1867. Music: R. Vaughan Williams; Permission Oxford University Press

THE OPENING SENTENCES

All remain standing as the officiant begins the service with the opening sentences.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

All kneeling, officiant and people together

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. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare thou those 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.

Officiant The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

All standing, the officiant says

O Lord, open thou our lips.

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

All remain standing and sing the canticle.

CANTICLE, HYMN 681

Christ Our Passover Is Sacrificed for Us

W. Lee

Christ our Passover is sacrific|ed for us,
therefore | let us keep the feast,

Not with old leaven,
neither with the leaven of | malice • and wickedness,
but with the unleavened bread of sin|cerity and truth.

Christ being raised from the dead | dieth • no more;
death hath no more do|minion over him.

For in that he died, he died unto | **sin** once;
 but in that he liveth, he | liveth unto God.
 Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead in|deed unto sin,
 but alive unto God through | Jesus Christ our Lord.
 Christ is risen | from the dead,
 and become the | firstfruits • of | them that slept.
 For since by | man came death,
 by man came also the resur|rection of the dead.
 For as in Adam | **all** die,
 even so in Christ shall | all be made alive.
 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. A-men.**

PSALM 33

All remain standing and read the psalm responsively by whole verse.

- ¹ Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous;
 it is fitting for the just to be thankful.
- ² ***Praise the LORD with the harp;
 sing praises unto him with the ten-stringed lute.***
- ³ Sing unto him a new song;
 make skillful melody and cry aloud with joy.
- ⁴ ***For the word of the LORD is true,
 and all his works are faithful.***
- ⁵ He loves righteousness and true judgment;
 the earth is full of the goodness of the LORD.
- ⁶ ***By the word of the LORD were the heavens made,
 and all the hosts of them by the breath of his mouth.***
- ⁷ He gathers the waters of the sea together, as in a heap,
 and lays up the deep, as in a treasure house.
- ⁸ ***Let all the earth fear the LORD;
 stand in awe of him, all you that dwell in the world.***
- ⁹ For he spoke, and it was done;
 he commanded and it stood fast.
- ¹⁰ ***The LORD brings the counsel of the nations to naught;
 he makes the devices of the peoples to be of no effect, and casts out the counsels of princes.***
- ¹¹ The counsel of the LORD shall endure for ever,
 and the thoughts of his heart from generation to generation.
- ¹² ***Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD,
 and blessed are the people he has chosen for himself to be his inheritance.***
- ¹³ The LORD looks down from heaven and beholds all the children of men;
 from the habitation of his dwelling he considers all those who dwell on the earth.
- ¹⁴ ***He fashions all the hearts of them
 and understands all their works.***
- ¹⁵ There is no king who can be saved by a mighty host;
 neither is any mighty man delivered by great strength.
- ¹⁶ ***A horse is considered a vain hope to save a man;
 neither shall it deliver anyone by its great strength.***
- ¹⁷ Behold, the eye of the LORD is upon those who fear him,
 and upon those who put their trust in his mercy,
- ¹⁸ ***To deliver their soul from death,
 and to feed them in the time of famine.***
- ¹⁹ Our soul has patiently waited for the LORD,
 for he is our help and our shield.
- ²⁰ ***Our heart shall rejoice in him,
 because we have hoped in his holy Name.***
- ²¹ Let your merciful kindness, O LORD, be upon us,
 as we have put our trust in you.
***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.***

The people are seated for the reading of God's word.

THE FIRST LESSON

1 John 4:7-21

⁷ Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. ⁸ Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. ⁹ In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. ¹⁰ In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. ¹¹ Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. ¹² No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us. ¹³ By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. ¹⁴ And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world. ¹⁵ Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God. ¹⁶ So we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him. ¹⁷ By this is love perfected with us, so that we may have confidence for the day of judgment, because as he is so also are we in this world. ¹⁸ There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love. ¹⁹ We love because he first loved us. ²⁰ If anyone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen. ²¹ And this commandment we have from him: whoever loves God must also love his brother.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The people remain seated for the canticle.

CANTICLE

A New Commandment

Thomas Tallis (1505-1585)

A new commandment give I unto you, saith the Lord,
That ye love together, as I have loved you, that e'en so ye love one another.
By this shall ev'ry man know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.

Music: Thomas Tallis (1505-1585); Arr. by Crawford R. Thoburn. Text: John 13:34-35 (Coverdale Bible, 1535). © St. James Music Press, 2014

The people are seated for the reading of God's word.

THE SECOND LESSON

John 15:9-17

Jesus said, ⁹ "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. ¹⁰ If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹ These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full. ¹² This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³ Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends. ¹⁴ You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵ No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. ¹⁶ You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. ¹⁷ These things I command you, so that you will love one another."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand and sing the sermon hymn.

THE SERMON HYMN 479

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Hyfrydol

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heav'n, to earth come down,
Fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art;
Visit us with thy salvation, enter ev'ry trembling heart.

Come, almighty to deliver, let us all thy life receive;
Suddenly return, and never, nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be alway blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above,
Pray, and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be:
Let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee:
Changed from glory into glory, till in heav'n we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder love and praise.

Music: Rowland Hugh Prichard c. 1830. UBP. Words: Charles Wesley, 1747

THE SERMON

Battle Cry of Love

The Rev. Brian K. McGreevy

THE APOSTLES' CREED

All standing, officiant and people say

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People ***And with thy spirit.***

Officiant Let us pray.

All kneeling, officiant and people pray

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.

THE SUFFRAGES

O Lord, show thy mercy upon us; ***and grant us thy salvation.***

Endue thy ministers with righteousness; ***and make thy chosen people joyful.***

Give peace, O Lord, in all the world; ***for only in thee can we live in safety.***

Lord, keep this nation under thy care; ***and guide us in the way of justice and truth.***

Let thy way be known upon earth; ***thy saving health among all nations.***

Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten; ***nor the hope of the poor be taken away.***

Create in us clean hearts, O God; ***and sustain us with thy Holy Spirit.***

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, who hast prepared for those who love thee such good things as pass man's understanding: Pour into our hearts such love toward thee, that we, loving thee in all things and above all things, may obtain thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

A COLLECT FOR PEACE

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 defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

A COLLECT FOR GRACE

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 we, being ordered by thy governance, may do always what is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

The officiant leads the congregation in several brief prayers.

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, Lord, in your mercy, ***hear our prayer.***

Almighty and ever-living God, in your holy Word you have taught us to offer prayers and requests, and to give thanks for all whom you have made. Grant that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. Lord, in your mercy, ***hear our prayer.***

For Foley, our Archbishop; for Mark, our Bishop; for our clergy; for our diocese; and for this parish, that all may hunger for truth, may thirst for righteousness and be filled with your Holy Spirit. Lord, in your mercy, ***hear our prayer.***

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the gospel to the ends of the earth. Lord, in your mercy, ***hear our prayer.***

For the President of the United States and for those in positions of public trust, that they may govern wisely, and striving for the welfare and peace of the whole world, may bring a spirit of respect and forbearance among all nations and peoples. Lord, in your mercy, ***hear our prayer.***

Mend whatever is broken by human sin; in our lives, in our nation, and in the world. Lord, in your mercy, ***hear our prayer.***

Grant to all who seek your guidance, knowledge of your will; and to all who are lonely, anxious or depressed, comfort from your tender care. Lord, in your mercy, ***hear our prayer.***

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; give them courage; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be. Lord, in your mercy, *hear our prayer.*

Surround with kindness those who are bereaved. Lord, in your mercy, *hear our prayer.*

Oh most loving Father, take from us all that hinders your access to our hearts. Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may love one another as you love us. Lord, in your mercy, *hear our prayer.*

A COLLECT IN TIME OF GREAT SICKNESS AND MORTALITY (1928 Book of Common Prayer)

O most mighty and merciful God, in this time of grievous sickness, we flee unto thee for succour. Deliver us, we beseech thee, from our peril; give strength and skill to all those who minister to the sick; prosper the means made use of for their cure; and grant that, perceiving how frail and uncertain our life is, we may apply our hearts unto that heavenly wisdom which leadeth to eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

Officiant and People

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 honor 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 supplication unto thee; and hast promised through thy well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name thou wilt be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

Officiant 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.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL OFFERING

Greater Love Hath No Man

John Ireland (1879-1962)

Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it.
Love is strong as death. Many waters cannot quench love.
Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.

Who His own self bare our sins in His own body on the tree,
That we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness.
Ye are washed, ye are sanctified, ye are justified, in the Name of the Lord Jesus:
Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation.

That ye should show forth the praises of Him
Who hath called you out of darkness into His marvelous light.

I beseech you brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice,
Holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

Words: from Scripture, including Romans 12. Music: John Ireland, © 1912 Stainer and Bell, LTD. Dist. Galaxy Music Corp., NY, NY.

All stand and sing

THE DOXOLOGY HYMN

Vigiles et Sancti

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE CLOSING PRAYERS AND BLESSING

Priest The Lord be with you.

People ***And with thy spirit.***

Priest Let us pray.

All kneel. After the closing prayers and blessing, all stand and sing the closing hymn.

THE CLOSING HYMN 345

O Church, Arise

S. Townend, K. Getty

O Church, arise and put your armour on; hear the call of Christ our Captain
For now the weak can say that they are strong, in the strength that God has given.
With shield of faith and belt of truth, we'll stand against the devil's lies;
An army bold, whose battle cry is Love, reaching out to those in darkness.

Our call to war, to love the captive soul, but to rage against the captor;
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole, we will fight with faith and valour.
When faced with trials on every side, we know the outcome is secure;
And Christ will have the prize for which He died, an inheritance of nations.

Come see the cross, where love and mercy meet, as the Son of God is stricken;
Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet, for the Conqueror has risen.
And as the stone is rolled away and Christ emerges from the grave,
This vict'ry march continues till the day every eye and heart shall see Him.

So Spirit, come, put strength in ev'ry stride; give grace for ev'ry hurdle;
That we may run with faith, to win the prize of a servant, good and faithful.
As saints of old still line the way, retelling triumphs of His grace,
We hear their calls, and hunger for the day when, with Christ, we stand in glory.

O Church, arise and put your armour on; hear the call of Christ our Captain
For now the weak can say that they are strong, in the strength that God has given.
With shield of faith and belt of truth, we'll stand against the devil's lies;
An army bold, whose battle cry is Love, reaching out to those in darkness.

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THE DISMISSAL

The priest dismisses the people, and the people respond:

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

THE POSTLUDE

Tuba Tune

C.S. Lang (1891-1971)



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