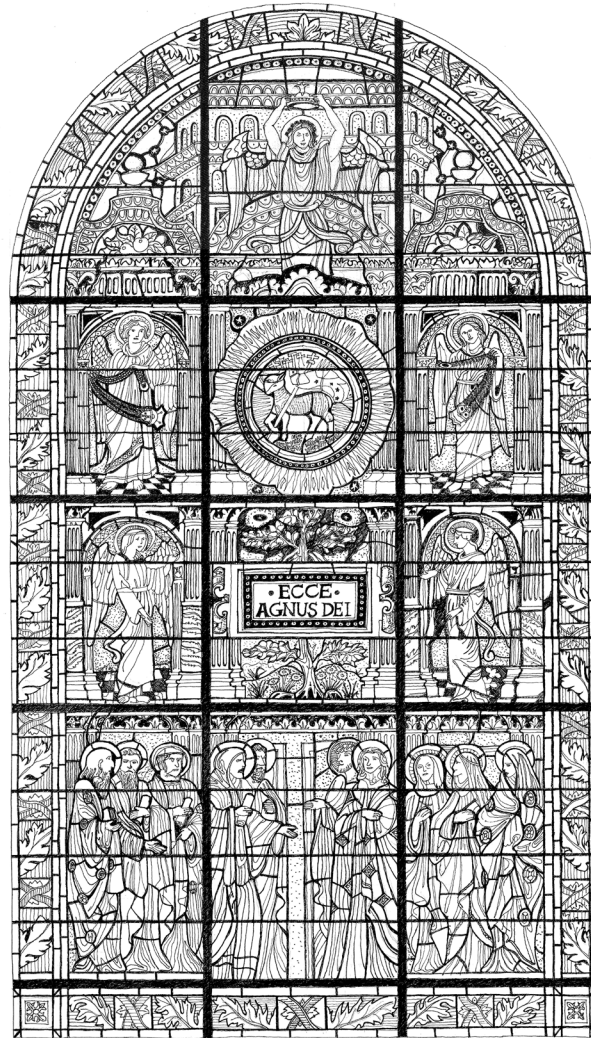


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THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

MORNING PRAYER: RITE I

SEPTEMBER 13, 2020 • 10:30 AM



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

Trumpet Tune in G
Greg Schoonover, *trumpet*

Jon Roberts (b. 1961)

THE INTROIT

Hark! I Hear the Harps Eternal

arr. Alice Parker (b. 1925)

Hark, I hear the harps eternal ringing on the farther shore,
As I near those swollen waters with their deep and solemn roar.

Refrain: Hallelujah, praise the Lamb! Glory to the great I AM!

And my soul, though stained with sorrow, fading as the light of day,
Passes swiftly o'er those waters, to the city far away.

Souls have crossed before me, saintly, to that land of perfect rest;
And I hear them singing faintly in the mansions of the blest.

Words: Traditional. Tune: *Invitation* – Traditional Tune Arranged by Alice Parker
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THE WORD OF GOD

THE OPENING HYMN

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Nettleton

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! I'm fixed upon it, mount of thy redeeming love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither, by thy help, I'm 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.

Words: Robert Robinson (1735-1790), alt.
Music: *Nettleton*, melody from *A Repository of Sacred Music, Part II*, 1813.

THE OPENING SENTENCES

The officiant begins the service with the opening sentences found on page 40 of the Book of Common Prayer.

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

O be joyful in the Lord all ye lands:
 serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.
 Be ye sure that the Lord he is God; it is he that hath made us and not we ourselves;
 we are his people and the | sheep of his pasture.
 O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his | courts with praise;
 be thankful unto him and speak good of • his Name.
 For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting;
 and his truth endureth from generation to generation.
 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.

PSALM 103:1-14

Standing, the officiant and people read the psalm in unison.

¹ Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!
² Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits,
³ who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,
⁴ who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,
⁵ who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.
⁶ The Lord works righteousness and justice for all who are oppressed.
⁷ He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel.
⁸ The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
⁹ He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever.
¹⁰ He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.
¹¹ For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;
¹² as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.
¹³ As a father shows compassion to his children, so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him.
¹⁴ For he knows our frame; he remembers that we are dust.
 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

Romans 14:5-12

⁵ One person esteems one day as better than another, while another esteems all days alike. Each one should be fully convinced in his own mind. ⁶ The one who observes the day, observes it in honor of the Lord. The one who eats, eats in honor of the Lord, since he gives thanks to God, while the one who abstains, abstains in honor of the Lord and gives thanks to God. ⁷ For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. ⁸ For if we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. ⁹ For to this end Christ died and lived again, that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living. ¹⁰ Why do you pass judgment on your brother? Or you, why do you despise your brother? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God; ¹¹ for it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God." ¹² So then each of us will give an account of himself to God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All remain seated as the choir sings the canticle.

CANTICLE

The Call of Wisdom

Will Todd (b. 1970)

Lord of wisdom, Lord of truth, Lord of justice, Lord of mercy; walk beside us down the years till we see you in your glory.
 Striving to attain the heights, turning in a new direction, entering a lonely place, welcoming a friend or stranger.

Refrain: I am here, I am with you. I have called: do you hear me? I am here, I am here, I am with you.

Silver is of passing worth, gold is not of constant value,
 Jewels sparkle for a while; what you long for is not lasting.

Rulers govern under me with my insight and my wisdom.
 Those who know me know my love, those who seek me find their answer.

God the Father and the Son, Holy Spirit coeternal.
 Glory, glory be ascribed to you, now and to the end, to the end of ages.

Words by Michael Hampel (based on Proverbs 8). Music by Will Todd, Copyright ©2012 Oxford University Press

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

THE SECOND LESSON

Matthew 18:21-35

²¹Peter came up and said to Jesus, "Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?"²² Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy-seven times."²³ Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants.²⁴ When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents.²⁵ And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made.²⁶ So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.'²⁷ And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt.²⁸ But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, 'Pay what you owe.'²⁹ So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.'³⁰ He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt.³¹ When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place.³² Then his master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me.'³³ And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?'³⁴ And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt.³⁵ So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand and sing

THE SERMON HYMN

In Christ Alone

Keith Getty, Stuart Townend

In Christ alone my hope is found; He is my light, my strength, my song:
This Cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease.
My Comforter, my All in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness scorned by the ones He came to save.
'Til on the cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied.
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid: Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world, by darkness slain;
Then, bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death; this is the pow'r of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man can ever pluck me from His hand;
'Til He returns or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand!

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THE SERMON

The Power of Forgiveness

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, forasmuch as without thee we are not able to please thee, mercifully grant that thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the same Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, now and for 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.*

COLLECT FOR THE COMMEMORATION OF SEPTEMBER 11

Eternal God, in whose perfect kingdom no sword is drawn but the sword of righteousness, and no strength known but the strength of love: We pray thee so mightily to shed and spread abroad thy Spirit, that all peoples and ranks may be gathered under one banner, of the Prince of Peace; as children of one God and Father of all; to whom be dominion and glory now and for ever. *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.**

CHORAL OFFERING

Praise Above All, For Praise Prevails

Malcolm Archer (b. 1952)

Praise above all, for praise prevails; heap up the measure, load the scales, and good to goodness add:
The gen'rous soul her savior aids, but peevish obloquy degrades,
The Lord is great and glad. The Lord is great and glad.

Glorious the sun in mid career, glorious th' assembled fires appear;
Glorious the comet's train: Glorious the trumpet and alarm;
Glorious th' almighty's stretch'd-out arm; glorious th' enraptur'd main:

Glorious the northern lights a-stream; glorious the song, when God's the theme;
Glorious the thunder's roar:

Glorious hosanna from the den; glorious the catholic amen; Glorious the martyr's gore:

Glorious—more glorious is the crown of Him that brought salvation down
By meekness, called thy Son; Then that stupendous truth believed,
And now the matchless deed's achieved, Determined, dared, and done.

Words: Christopher Smart (1772-1771), *A Song To David*. Music: Malcolm Archer (b. 1952) Used by permission of the composer.

All stand and sing

THE DOXOLOGY

Old Hundredth

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

Music: *Old Hundredth*, melody from *Pseaumes octante trois de David*, 1551, alt.; harm after Louis Bourgeois (1510-1561).

Continuing with ...

America

Our fathers' God, to thee, author of liberty, to thee we sing.
Long may our land be bright with freedom's holy light;
Protect us by thy might, Great God, our King. Amen.

Music: *America*, in *Thesaurus Musicus*, 1740. Words: Samuel Francis Smith, 1832.

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 hymn.

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love;
 Hearts unfold like flowers before thee, praising thee, their sun above.
 Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away;
 Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee, Earth and heav'n reflect thy rays,
 Stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise:
 Field and forest, vale and mountains, blooming meadow, flashing sea,
 Chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest,
 Wellspring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!
 Thou our Father, Christ our Brother, all who live in love are thine;
 Teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

Mortals join the mighty chorus, which the morning stars began;
 Father-love is reigning o'er us, brother-love binds man to man.
 Ever singing march we onward, victors in the midst of strife;
 Joyful music lifts us sunward, in the triumph song of life.

Words: Henry Van Dyke (1852-1933). Music: *Hymn to Joy*, Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827); adapt. Edward Hodges (1796-1867)

TAPS

In memory of those whose lives were taken on September 11, 2001, please remain standing for the playing of taps.

THE DISMISSAL

The priest dismisses the people, and the people respond:

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

THE POSTLUDE

Festive Trumpet Tune
 Greg Schoonover, *trumpet*

David German (1810-1873)



ALTAR FLOWERS

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God
 and in memory of those whose lives were taken on September 11, 2001.*



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