## MORNING PRAYER: RITE I ~ SEPTEMBER 6, 2020

THE PRELUDE Aria (Chris Walchesky, organ) Flor Peeters (1903-1986)

THE INTROIT If Ye Love Me Philip Wilby (b. 1949)

THE OPENING HYMN 315 We Gather Together To Ask the Lord's Blessings

Kremser

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing; he chastens and hastens his will to make known; The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing: Sing praises to his Name; he forgets not his own.

Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining, ordaining, maintaining his kingdom divine; So from the beginning the fight we were winning: Thou, Lord, wast at our side: all glory be thine!

We all do extol thee, thou leader triumphant, and pray that thou still our defender wilt be. Let thy congregation escape tribulation: Thy Name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!

#### THE OPENING SENTENCES

## THE CONFESSION OF SIN (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.

## THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER (Standing)

Officiant 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.

CANTICLE, HYMN 609

Venite, exultemus Domino

R. Goodson

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 peoples with his truth.

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 119:33-48 (Standing, read in unison)

<sup>33</sup> Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes; and I will keep it to the end. <sup>34</sup> Give me understanding, that I may keep your law and observe it with my whole heart. <sup>35</sup> Lead me in the path of your commandments, for I delight in it. <sup>36</sup> Incline my heart to your testimonies, and not to selfish gain! <sup>37</sup> Turn my eyes from looking at worthless things; and give me life in your ways. <sup>38</sup> Confirm to your servant your promise, that you may be feared. <sup>39</sup> Turn away the reproach that I dread, for your rules are good. <sup>40</sup> Behold, I long for your precepts; in your righteousness give me life! <sup>41</sup> Let your steadfast love come to me, O Lord, your salvation according to your promise; <sup>42</sup> then shall I have an answer for him who taunts me, for I trust in your word. <sup>43</sup> And take not the word of truth utterly out of my mouth, for my hope is in your rules. <sup>44</sup> I will keep your law continually, forever and ever, <sup>45</sup> and I shall walk in a wide place, for I have sought your precepts. <sup>46</sup> I will also speak of your testimonies before kings and shall not be put to shame, <sup>47</sup> for I find my delight in your commandments, which I love, <sup>48</sup> I will lift up my hands toward your commandments, which I love, and I will meditate on your statutes. 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 FIRST LESSON

After the reading: The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Romans 12:9-21

CANTICLE

Bv Faith

Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, Stuart Townend

By faith we see the hand of God in the light of creation's grand design,

In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness, who walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith our fathers roamed the earth with the pow'r of His promise in their hearts

Of a holy city built by God's own hand, a place where peace and justice reign.

*Refrain:* We will stand as children of the promise; we will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's reward. Till the race is finished and the work is done, we'll walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith the prophets saw a day when the longed for Messiah would appear

With the pow'r to break the chains of sin and death, and rise triumphant from the grave.

By faith the church was called to go in the pow'r of the Spirit to the lost,

To deliver captives and to preach good news in ev'ry corner of the earth. Refrain

By faith this mountain shall be moved and the pow'r of the gospel shall prevail,

For we know in Christ all things are possible for all who call upon His Name. Refrain

THE SECOND LESSON

After the reading: The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Matthew 18:15-20

#### THE SERMON HYMN 435

Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

Rest

Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our foolish ways!

Re-clothe us in our rightful mind, in purer lives thy service find, in deeper rev'rence, praise.

In simple trust like theirs who heard, beside the Syrian sea,

The gracious calling of the Lord, let us, like them, without a word, rise up and follow thee.

O Sabbath rest by Galilee! O calm of hills above,

Where Jesus knelt to share with thee the silence of eternity interpreted by love!

Drop thy still dews of quietness, till all our strivings cease:

Take from our souls the strain and stress, and let our ordered lives confess the beauty of thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire thy coolness and thy balm; let sense be dumb,

Let flesh retire; speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire, O still, small voice of calm!

THE SERMON Bold Love The Rev. Justin C. Hare

# THE APOSTLES' CREED (Standing, said by all)

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. And with thy spirit. All kneeling, officiant and people pray in the words of The Lord's Prayer.

#### 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, A COLLECT FOR PEACE, A COLLECT FOR GRACE

The officiant leads the congregation in several brief prayers, saying, "Lord, in your mercy." The people respond, "Hear our prayer."

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

#### THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING (Remaining kneeling, all in unison)

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 (Officiant Let us bless the Lord. People Thanks be to God.)

CHORAL OFFERING

Behold, the Tabernacle of God

William H. Harris (1883-1973)

#### THE DOXOLOGY AND PATRIOTIC HYMN

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.

continuing with

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.

#### THE CLOSING PRAYERS AND BLESSING

#### THE CLOSING HYMN 396

The Church's One Foundation

Aurelia

The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord; she is his new creation by water and the word; From heav'n he came and sought her to be his holy bride; with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth, her charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth; One holy Name she blesses, partakes one holy food, and to one hope she presses, with ev'ry grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder men see her sore opprest, by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distrest; Yet saints their watch are keeping, their cry goes up, "How long?" And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war, she waits the consummation of peace forevermore.

Till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest, and the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God, the Three in One, and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won. O happy ones, and holy! Lord, give us grace that we, like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

#### THE DISMISSAL

The priest dismisses the people, and the people respond: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

THE POSTLUDE Rigaudon Andre Campra (1660-1744)