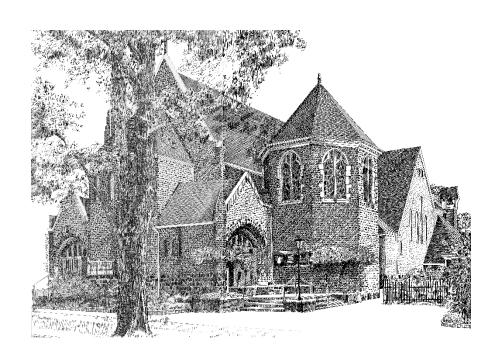


Sexagesima Sunday, February 7, 2021

Sung Eucharist at 9:30 am livestreamed



Celebrant: Fr James Shire Homilist: Fr D'Angelo Cantor: Jennifer McCallum Reader: Bruce McEachern

Organist & Director of Music: Matthew Whitfield

MUSIC OF THE MASS – Community Mass, Richard Proulx

PRELUDE: Andante in F, *Johann Georg Albrechtsberger*

GREETING

Celebrant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy

Spirit, be with you all.

People: And also with you.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant: Almighty God,

People: To you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO

Celebrant: Glory to God in the highest,

and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: Have mercy on us; You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty God, who alone can bring order to the unruly wills and passions of sinful humanity: give your people grace so to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that, among the many changes of this world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

FIRST READING: Genesis 3.9-19

But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" And he said, "I heard the sound of thee in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" The man said, "The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate." Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent beguiled me, and I ate." The LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you above all cattle, and above all wild animals; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel." To the woman he said, "I will greatly multiply your pain in childbearing; in pain you shall bring forth children, yet your desire shall be for your husband, and he shall rule over you." And to Adam he said, "Because you have listened to the voice of your wife, and have eaten of the tree of which I commanded you, 'You shall not eat of it,' cursed is the ground because of you; in toil you shall eat of it all the days of your life; thorns and thistles it shall bring forth to you; and you shall eat the plants of the field. In the sweat of your face you shall eat bread till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

The word of the Lord R / *Thanks be to God*



- 1 O GOD, do **not** be silent : do not keep still nor **hold** your peace, O Göd
- 2 For your enemies **are** in tu-mult : and those who hate you have **lift**-ed up their hëads.
- 13 O my God, make them like **whirl**-ing dust : and **like** chaff be-fore the wind.
- 14 Like fire that burns **down** a for-est: like the flame that **sets** moun-tains a-bläze.
- 15 Drive them with your tem-pest: and ter-ri-fy them with your štörm.
- 16 Cover their faces with **shame**, O Lord: **that** they may seek your name.
- 17 Let them be disgraced and terri-**fied** for ev-er: let them be put to con-**fu**-sion and pe-rish.
- 18 Let them know that you, whose **Name** is Yah-weh: you alone are the Most **High** ov-er all the earth.

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 11.21b-31

But whatever any one dares to boast of—I am speaking as a fool—I also dare to boast of that. Are they Hebrews? So am I. Are they Israelites? So am I. Are they descendants of Abraham? So am I. Are they servants of Christ? I am a better one—I am talking like a madman—with far greater labours, far more imprisonments, with countless beatings, and often near death. Five times I have received at the hands of the Jews the forty lashes less one. Three times I have been beaten with rods; once I was stoned. Three times I have been shipwrecked; a night and a day I have been adrift at sea; on frequent journeys, in danger from rivers, danger from robbers, danger from my own people, danger from Gentiles, danger in the city, danger in the wilderness, danger at sea, danger from false brethren; in toil and hardship, through many a sleepless night, in hunger and thirst, often without food, in cold and exposure. And, apart from other things, there is the daily pressure upon me of my anxiety for all the churches. Who is weak, and I am not weak? Who is made to fall, and I am not indignant? If I must boast, I will boast of the things that show my weakness. The God and Father of the Lord Jesus, he who is blessed for ever, knows that I do not lie.

The word of the Lord R / *Thanks be to God*

GRADUAL: Psalm 17.6-9



- 6 I CALL upon you, O God, for you will **an**-swer me : incline your ear to me **and** hear my words.
- 7 Show me your marvellous loving-**kind**-ness: O Saviour of those who take refuge at your right hand From those who rise up <u>a</u>-gainst them.
- 8 Keep me as the apple of your **eye**: Hide me under the sha**-dow** of your wings,
- 9 From the wicked who as-sault me: from my deadly enemies who sur-round me.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 8.4-15

V / The Lord be with you.

R / And also with you.

V / The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

R / Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

And when a great crowd came together and people from town after town came to him, he said in a parable: "A sower went out to sow his seed; and as he sowed, some fell along the path, and was trodden under foot, and the birds of the air devoured it. And some fell on the rock; and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture. And some fell among thorns; and the thorns grew with it and choked it. And some fell into good soil and grew, and yielded a hundredfold." As he said this, he called out, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear." And when his disciples asked him what this parable meant, he said, "To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God; but for others they are in parables, so that seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand. Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. The ones along the path are

those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, that they may not believe and be saved. And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy; but these have no root, they believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. And as for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bring forth fruit with patience.

The Gospel of Christ R / *Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ*

SERMON

THE NICENE CREED

Celebrant: Let us confess our faith, as we say,

All: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

INTERCESSIONS

Celebrant: Brothers and sisters in Christ, let us pray for the Church and for the world.

silence

Lord, in your mercy R / *Hear our prayer*.

Intercessor: I ask your prayers for the whole Church, especially Linda, Anne, Andrew, and Jenny our Archbishops and Bishops and for all the clergy and laity who serve God's people.

silence

Lord, in your mercy R / *Hear our prayer*.

Intercessor: I ask your prayers for the Queen and for all in authority in our country, province, and city, for all who promote and protect our health, safety, and peace, that God may observe our civil life and judge it good.

silence

Lord, in your mercy R / *Hear our prayer*.

Intercessor: I ask your prayers for all those in need, for the sick.....for elders in isolation, for prisoners, for those who mourn, and all for whom our prayers are asked......trusting that God will not forget the afflicted.

silence

Lord, in your mercy R / *Hear our prayer*.

Intercessor: I ask your prayers for the dead, for those who have died recently.....and for those whose year's mind is today.....that they share with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Thomas, and all saints in the eternal kingdom.

silence

Lord, in your mercy R / *Hear our prayer*.

Celebrant: Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen*.

Invitation, Confession, Absolution

Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

A Silence is kept.

Celebrant: Most merciful God,

All: we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE PEACE

V / The peace of the Lord be always with you. R / *And also with you.*

OFFERTORY HYMN 573 – Thee will I love, my strength, my tower

- Thee will I love, my strength, my tower, Thee will I love, my joy, my crown, Thee will I love with all my power, In all my works, and thee alone. Thee will I love till sacred fire Fills my whole soul with pure desire.
- 2 I thank thee, uncreated Sun, That thy bright beams on me have shined; I thank thee, who hast overthrown My foes, and healed my wounded mind; I thank thee, whose enlivening voice Bids my freed heart in thee rejoice.
- Uphold me, in the doubtful race, Nor suffer me again to stray; Strengthen my feet with steady pace Still to press forward in thy way: That all my powers, with all their might, In thy sole glory may unite.
- Thee will I love, my joy, my crown, Thee will I love, my Lord, my God, Thee I will love, beneath thy frown Or smile – thy sceptre or thy rod; What though my flesh and heart decay, Thee shall I love in endless day.

Henry Carey, 1723 SURREY

Tr (1739) from the German of Rev. Johann Scheffler (1657) by Rev. John Wesley

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Merciful God and Father, in Adam's fall we were born to death; in the new Adam we are reborn to life. In all we offer you this day may we share a taste of your eternal kingdom. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

V / The Lord be with you. R / And also with you. V / Lift up your hearts. R / We lift them to the Lord.

V / Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. R / It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; you are the source of light and life for all your creation, you made us in your own image, and call us to new life in Jesus Christ our Saviour. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Celebrant: Therefore, Father, according to his command:

People: We remember his death,

we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory.

and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant.

Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray:

All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread; Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: "I am the Bread of life," says the Lord.

"Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; Whoever believes in me will never thirst."

People: Taste and see that the Lord is good;

Happy are they who trust in him!

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; grant us peace.

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION WHICH MAY BE SAID BY THOSE NOT RECEIVING

My Jesus, I believe that thou art truly present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive thee sacramentally, I beseech thee to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself unto thee, and embrace thee with all the affections of my soul. Let me never be separated from thee. Let me live and die in thy love. Amen.

ANIMA CHRISTI

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.
Body of Christ, save me.
Blood of Christ, inebriate me.
Water from the side of Christ, wash me.
Passion of Christ, strengthen me.
O good Jesu, hear me.
Within thy wounds hide me.
Suffer me not to be separated from thee.
From the malicious enemy defend me.
In the hour of my death call me.
And bid me come to thee,
That with thy saints I may praise thee,
For ever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Merciful Father, who gave Jesus Christ to be for us the bread of life, that those who come to him should never hunger: draw us to the Lord in faith and love, that we may eat and drink with him at his table in the kingdom, where he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. *Amen*.

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

The peace of God which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. *Amen*

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

CONCLUDING HYMN 7 – Forth in thy Name, O Lord, I go

- 1 Forth in thy Name, O Lord, I go, My daily labour to pursue; Thee, only thee, resolved to know, In all I think, or speak, or do.
- 2 The task thy wisdom hath assigned O let me cheerfully fulfil; In all my works thy presence find, And prove thy good and perfect will.
- 3 Thee may I set at my right hand, Whose eyes my inmost substance see, And labour on at thy commend, And offer all my works to thee.
- 4 Give me to bear thy easy yoke, And every moment watch and pray, And still to things eternal look, And hasten to thy glorious day;
- 5 For thee delightfully employ Whate'er thy bounteous grace hath given, And run my course with even joy, And closely walk with thee to heaven.

ANGEL'S SONG Rev. Charles Wesley, 1749 Original version of melody by Orlando Gibbons, 1623

POSTLUDE: Voluntary in D, William Boyce