



Morning Prayer

Second Sunday after Pentecost

14 June 2020 AD

Concerning Today's Service

It has been determined that singing, since it projects the human voice, is an activity which enhances the spread of viral particles. Our use of music in the liturgy is being reduced. When music is included, great effort has been taken to prepare and execute it in the most careful manner possible. Please sing along at home.

Prelude

Opening Hymn 536 “Open Your Ears”

1 Open your ears, O faithful people, open your ears and hear God's word.

Open your hearts, O royal priesthood, God has come to you.

Refrain God has spoken to the people, Hallelujah!

God has spoken words of wisdom, Hallelujah!

God has spoken to the people, Hallelujah!

God has spoken words of wisdom, Hallelujah!

2 They who have ears to hear this message, they who have ears, then let them hear.

They who would learn the way of wisdom, let them hear God's word. *Refrain*

3 Israel comes to greet the Savior, Judah is glad to see this day.

From east and west the peoples travel, he will show the way. *Refrain*

Opening Sentences

Confession and Absolution

The Officiant invites the People to confess.

Officiant and People pray together

Most merciful God, 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 neighbors 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.

The Priest pronounces the absolution.

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Invitatory Canticle: *The Venite*

Antiphon: The earth is the Lord's, for he made it: Come let us adore him.

Come, let us sing to the Lord; *
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.
For the Lord is a great God, *
and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *
and the heights of the hills are his also.
The sea is his, for he made it, *
and his hands have molded the dry land.
Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

The Psalter: Psalm 100 *read in unison*

- 1 Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; *
serve the Lord with gladness and come into the divine presence with a song.
- 2 Know this: The Lord is God; *
the One who made us and to whom we belong;
we are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.
- 3 Enter the gates with thanksgiving; go into the courts with praise; *
give thanks to God and call upon the Name of the Lord.
- 4 For the Lord is good; whose steadfast mercy is everlasting; *
and whose faithfulness endures from age to age.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

First Lesson

A Reading from Exodus.

Exodus 19:2-8a

The Word of the Lord. [Thanks be to God.]

Canticle: A Song of Pilgrimage

Before I ventured forth, even while I was very young, *
I sought wisdom openly in my prayer.
In the forecourts of the temple I asked for her, *
and I will seek her to the end.
From first blossom to early fruit, *
she has been the delight of my heart.
My foot has kept firmly to the true path, *
diligently from my youth have I pursued her.

I inclined my ear a little and received her; *
I found for myself much wisdom and became adept in her.
To the one who gives me wisdom will I give glory, *
for I have resolved to live according to her way.
From the beginning I gained courage from her, *
therefore I will not be forsaken.
In my inmost being I have been stirred to seek her, *
therefore have I gained a good possession.
As my reward the Almighty has given me the gift of language,*
and with it will I offer praise to God.

[*Ecclesiasticus 51:13-16, 20b-22*]

Second Lesson

A Reading from Matthew.

Matthew 9:35-10:8

The Word of the Lord. [Thanks be to God.]

Canticle: Song of the Redeemed

O ruler of the universe, Lord God,
great deeds are they that you have done, *
surpassing human understanding.
Your ways are ways of righteousness and truth, *
O King of all the ages.
Who can fail to do you homage, Lord, and sing the praises of your Name? *
for you only are the Holy One.
All nations will draw near and fall down before you, *
because your just and holy works have been revealed.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

[*Revelation 15:3-4*]

*The **homily** for today again takes letter form. It will be distributed in tomorrow's Quick Notes, our church's weekly newsletter. If you are not on our email list, you may request to join here: office@messiahmb.org.*

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Officiant Let us pray.

The Lord's prayer is said.

The Versicles and Responses

Priest: Show us your mercy, O Lord;

People: And grant us your salvation.

Priest: Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

People: Let your people sing with joy.

Priest: Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

People: For only in you can we live in safety.

Priest: Lord, keep this nation under your care;

People: And guide us in the way of justice and truth.

Priest: Let your way be known upon earth;

People: Your saving health among all nations.

Priest: Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

People: Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

Priest: Create in us clean hearts, O God;

People: And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

The Prayers

The prayers are said, beginning with the Collect of the Day.

Anthem: "What Wondrous Love is This"

Intercessions and thanksgivings are invited.

At the conclusion of the intercessions, the Officiant says: Lord, in your mercy.

And the people reply: **Hear our prayer.**

Then follow two more prayers,

concluded by all joining in The General Thanksgiving:

Officiant: Together, let us pray the General Thanksgiving

All: Almighty God, Father of all mercies,

we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks

for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made.

We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable 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 pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. 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 Spirit, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

2 Corinthians 13:14

Postlude

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