



WHOEVER GIVES
EVEN A CUP OF
COLD WATER TO
ONE OF THESE
LITTLE ONES...
— MATTHEW 10

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

28 June 2020 AD

A LITURGY OF THE WORD

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 curtailed. When music is included, care has been taken to prepare and execute it in the most careful manner possible. Please sing along at home.

Prelude

Opening Hymn 484 “Praise the Lord through Every Nation”

- 1 Praise the Lord through every nation;
his holy arm hath wrought salvation;
exalt him on his Father's throne.
Praise your King, ye Christian legions,
who now prepares in heavenly regions
unfailing mansions for his own:
with voice and minstrelsy extol his majesty: Allelujah!
His praise shall sound all nature round,
and hymns on every tongue abound.
- 2 Jesus, Lord, our Captain glorious,
o'er sin, and death, and hell victorious,
wisdom and might to thee belong:
we confess, proclaim, adore thee;
we bow the knee, we fall before thee;
thy love henceforth shall be our song.
The cross meanwhile we bear,
the crown ere long to wear: Allelujah!
Thy reign extend world without end;
let praise from all to thee ascend.

Opening Sentences

Priest: Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

***People:* And also with you.**

The Celebrant says

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you
no secrets are hid: 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.*

Hymn of Praise: Hymn 679 “Surely It Is God Who Saves Me”

Surely it is God who saves me;
trusting him, I shall not fear.
For the Lord defends and shields me
and his saving help is near.

So rejoice as you draw water from salvation's living spring;
in the day of your deliverance thank the Lord, his mercies sing.
Make his deeds known to the peoples:
tell out his exalted Name.
Praise the Lord, who has done great things;
all his works God's might proclaim.
Zion, lift your voice in singing; for with you has come to dwell,
in your very midst, the great and Holy One of Israel.

The Collect of the Day

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Lesson

A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah.

Jeremiah 28:5-9

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

Gradual Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18 *read in unison*

- 1 Your love, O Lord, for ever will I sing; *
from age to age my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness.
- 2 For I am persuaded that your love is established for ever; *
you have set your faithfulness firmly in the heavens.
- 3 "I have made a covenant with my chosen one; *
I have sworn an oath to David my servant:
- 4 "I will establish your line for ever, *
and preserve your throne for all generations."
- 15 Happy are the people who know the festal shout! *
they walk, O Lord, in the light of your presence.
- 16 They rejoice daily in your Name; *
they are jubilant in your righteousness.
- 17 For you are the glory of their strength, *
and by your favor our might is exalted.
- 18 Truly, the Lord is our ruler; *
the Holy One of Israel is our King.

Epistle

A Reading from the Letter to the Romans.

Romans 6:12-23

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

Sequence Canticle *A Song of Jerusalem*

Rejoice with Jerusalem and be glad for her *
all you who love her,
Rejoice, rejoice with her, *
all you who mourn over her,
That you may drink deeply with delight *
from her comforting breast.
For thus says our God, *
“I will extend peace to her like a river,
the wealth of nations like an overflowing stream.
“You shall nurse and be carried on her arm, *
and you shall nestle in her lap.
“As a mother comforts her child, so will I comfort you; *
you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.
“You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice, *
you shall flourish like the grass of the fields.”

Isaiah 66:10-14

The Holy Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthen. [People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.]

Matthew 10:40-42

The Gospel of the Lord. [People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.]

The Sermon *silence for reflection follows the sermon*

The Nicene Creed

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 and the Son.



With the Father and the Son he is worshiped 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.

Prayers of the People

*After each petition the leader concludes: Holy God,
And everyone responds: **We bless and adore you.***

The Peace *Reach out to someone today to share God's peace.*

An Anthem *The Holy Eucharist* William H. Harris (1883-1973)

Him holy, in him abide, eternal soul in him you hide;
All your sin on God laid bare, receiving life He longs to share.
Him holy, in him abide, O Christian souls His body live;
Who in him to Father make the sacrifice of Incarnate.
Him holy, in him abide, heaven home in him alive;
Holy love one body make, joying souls new blessing wake.
- Douglas J. L. Bean

The Lord's Prayer

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

Officiant and People pray the Lord's Prayer

Invitation to Spiritual Communion

The Blessing

Closing Hymn 426 "Songs of Praise"

- 1 Songs of praise the angels sang, heaven with hallelujahs rang,
when creation was begun, when God spoke and it was done.
- 2 Songs of praise awoke the morn when the Prince of Peace was born:
songs of praise arose, when he captive led captivity.
- 3 Heaven and earth must pass away, songs of praise shall crown that day;
God will make new heavens and earth; songs of praise shall hail their birth.
- 4 And shall Christians fail to sing till on earth Christ come as King?
No; the Church delights to raise psalms and hymns and songs of praise.

Dismissal

Priest Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

On Sundays we receive the gifts of the people for the support of the church and its mission in the world. Please mail your gifts to **The Church of the Messiah, P O Box 70367, Myrtle Beach, SC 29572.**

In our prayers today we remember Vorhees College in our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer and The Church of North India in the Anglican Communion Cycle of Prayer.