

**A Service of Morning Prayer
for June 13, 2021
Third Sunday after Pentecost**



Samuel Anoints David, Raphael (1483-1520)
Vatican Museums (fresco)

Quietly accept the message planted in your hearts; it can bring you salvation.

James 1.21

CP 373 This is the Day the Lord Hath Made

This is the day the Lord hath made,
its hours to God are known;
Let heaven rejoice, let earth be glad,
and praise surround the throne.

Hosanna to the anointed King,
to David's holy Son!
Help us, O Lord; descend and bring
salvation from thy throne.

Today Christ rose and left the dead,
and Satan's empire fell;
Today the saints his triumph spread,
and all his wonders tell.

Hosanna in the highest strains
the church on earth can raise;
The highest heavens in which he reigns
shall give him nobler praise.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
And the love of God,
And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
Be with you all.

And also with you.

May his grace and peace be with you.

May he fill our hearts with joy.

Almighty God,

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.

The Lord is our refuge and strength: O come, let us worship.

Psalm 20

20:1 The LORD answer you in the day of trouble! The name of the God of Jacob protect you!

20:2 May he send you help from the sanctuary, and give you support from Zion.

20:3 May he remember all your offerings, and regard with favor your burnt sacrifices. Selah

20:4 May he grant you your heart's desire, and fulfill all your plans.

20:5 May we shout for joy over your victory, and in the name of our God set up our banners.
May the LORD fulfill all your petitions.

20:6 Now I know that the LORD will help his anointed; he will answer him from his holy heaven with mighty victories by his right hand.

20:7 Some take pride in chariots, and some in horses, but our pride is in the name of the LORD our God.

20:8 They will collapse and fall, but we shall rise and stand upright.

20:9 Give victory to the king, O LORD; answer us when we call.

A Reading from 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13

15:34 Then Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul.

15:35 Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the LORD was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel.

16:1 The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons."

16:2 Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the LORD said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.'"

16:3 Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you."

16:4 Samuel did what the LORD commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?"

16:5 He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

16:6 When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the LORD."

16:7 But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart."

16:8 Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one."

16:9 Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one."

16:10 Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The LORD has not chosen any of these."

16:11 Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here."

16:12 He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The LORD said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one."

16:13 Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CP 618 Glorious in Majesty

1. Glorious in majesty, holy in his praises,
Jesus, our Saviour and our King,
born a man, yet God of Old, let us all adore
him.

Filled with his Spirit, let us sing.

Refrain:

***Living is to love him, serving him to know
his freedom.***

***Come along with us to join the praise of
Jesus,
Come to Jesus now; go to live his word
rejoicing.***

2. Victory he won for us, freeing us from
darkness,
dying and rising from the dead.
Living with the Father now, yet he is among
us.

We are the body, he the head.

Refrain:...

3. One in love, as family, living with each
other,
gladly we share each other's pain.
Yet he will not leave us so,
soon he is returning, taking us back with him
to reign.

Refrain

A Reading from 2 Corinthians 5:6-10, (11-13), 14-17

5:6 So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord --

5:7 for we walk by faith, not by sight.

5:8 Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord.

5:9 So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him.

5:10 For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

5:11 Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences.

5:12 We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart.

5:13 For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you.

5:14 For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died.

5:15 And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.

5:16 From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way.

5:17 So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CP 478 Almighty God, Thy Word is Cast

1 Almighty God, thy word is cast
like seed into the ground;
now let the dew of heaven descend,
and righteous fruits abound.

3 Let not the world's deceitful cares
the rising plant destroy,
but let it yield a hundredfold
the fruits of peace and joy.

2 Let not the foe of righteousness
this holy seed remove,
but give it root in every heart
to bring forth fruits of love.

4 Oft as the precious seed is sown,
thy quickening grace bestow,
that all whose souls the truth receive,
its saving power may know.

The Gospel

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Mark 4:26-34

4:26 He also said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground,
4:27 and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how.

4:28 The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head.

4:29 But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come."

4:30 He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it?

4:31 It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth;

4:32 yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

4:33 With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it;

4:34 he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon by the Rev. Heather Liddell

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1. For the cause of Christ the King
We give our lives an offering
'Til all the earth resounds
With ceaseless praise
To the Son

2. For the King once lifted high
To cries of rage of crucify
Endured the cross
As every sin was laid
On the Son

For the cause of Christ we go
With joy to reap with faith to sow
As many see
And many put their trust in the Son

To the King who conquered death
To free the poor and the oppressed
For lasting peace
For life and liberty
In the Son

Chorus:

***Christ we proclaim
The Name above every name
For all creation
Every nation
God's salvation
Through the Son***

Chorus:...

3. Let it be my life's refrain
To live is Christ to die is gain
Deny myself take up my cross
And follow the Son (repeat)

Chorus:...

Affirmation of Faith (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.**

Prayers of the People led and compiled by Autumn Reinhold-Simpson

Let us pray together for our parish, the wider church, and the world:

We pray for all of those in authority, that they might understand the privilege of their position and seek good counsel.

We pray for the worldwide church, especially the Church of Nigeria in the Anglican Communion

We ask God to bless our primate Linda and Jane, our bishop.

We hold in prayer The Diocese of Algoma and their bishop, the Most Rev. Anne, Archbishop and Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario.

We pray and give thanks for the Diocesan camp ministries, children's and young people's ministries throughout the Diocese of Edmonton.

We humbly ask that God bless Bigombo parish, in the diocese of Buyé, and their rector, Simeon

We pray and give thanks for the Enoch Cree Nation.

We hold Bishop Jane in prayer as she nears the end of her journey as Bishop of Edmonton to embark on a new journey in God's service. As we prepare to say good-bye to a beloved leader, we pray also for the committee dedicated to the search for a new bishop, and for a smooth transition.

We hold in prayer our friends and members of our community, including Sandra; Merle; Mona; Nicole; Lois W; Ray and Mary; Evelyn; Irene and Sandy; Joyce; Jim and Par; Kathryn; Trevor; Helen; Jenifer; Judy; Tony; Luisa; Joseph; Jen and Hunter; Lois D.

We pray for the repose of the soul of Carey Sushynski

We are taught that God is among us whenever two or three are gathered in Her name. Even though we are not physically together at this time, we trust that we still have God's presence among us and therefore we have the confidence to ask:

Lord, hear our prayer

For our Muslim friends in Ontario, in Canada, and all over the world who live in fear of being targeted because of their religion. We pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer

For Salman, Madiha, Talat, and Yumna, may almighty Allah dwell them in Jannatul Firdaus. We pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer

For the young Muslim man who lost his sister, parents, and grandmother in the attack. May he be surrounded by God's love and the love of his community as he begins to heal. We pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer

For an end to anti-Muslim, anti-Asian, and anti-woman violence. May we vigorously push back against this ugly tide in our churches and in our lives. We pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer

We pray and give thanks to the St. Peter's Prayer Circle who lovingly hear our joys and our pains and who commits to praying for us every single day. We pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer

For all the Indigenous and First Nations people who are mourning this day. May we stand with our friends and demand justice and accountability, even from our own church which took part in the residential school system, we pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer

We give thanks for all the many tireless ministries of St. Peter's, for Revs. Heather, and Alison, and for all the people of our parish who give without counting the cost, especially those parishioners who do so quietly and without notice. We ask God to bless you for your commitment to God's people during a very trying year. We pray to the Lord:

Lord, hear our prayer

That we may find in these times small mercies, hidden beauty, revitalized communities, and rediscovered selves. We pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer

Compassionate God, it has been a long while since we have been able to gather as one body in your presence to worship you in fellowship and community. We long for the time that we can gather again in our beloved St. Peter's and experience the joy and fellowship of shared worship in a shared space. We ask for trust and for patience, not only for ourselves, but for all worshipping communities, so that when the time is right, we can open our doors and once again, carefully and with the safety of all in our minds and hearts, come together again in love and fellowship.

Until that time, we thank you for the many opportunities you have granted us to worship in different ways and we ask that you make us always mindful that the church is not the building where worship happens but that the church lives in us as you live in us, we pray.

Collect

Almighty God,
without you we are not able to please you.
Mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit
may in all things direct and rule our hearts;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
**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,
 the power, and the glory,
 for ever and ever. Amen.**

CP 601 God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

<p>1. God whose giving knows no ending From Your rich and endless store Nature's wonder Jesus' wisdom Costly cross grave's shattered door Gifted by You we turn to You Offering up ourselves in praise Thankful song shall rise forever Gracious donor of our days.</p>	<p>2. Skills and time are ours for pressing Toward the goals of Christ Your Son All at peace in health and freedom Races joined the church made one Now direct our daily labor Lest we strive for self alone Born with talents make us servants Fit to answer at Your throne.</p>
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3. Treasure too You have entrusted
 Gain through powers Your grace conferred
 Ours to use for home and kindred
 And to spread the gospel word
 Open wide our hands in sharing
 As we heed Christ's ageless call
 Healing teaching and reclaiming
 Serving You by loving all.

The Dismissal

Quietly accept the message planted in your hearts; it can bring you salvation.
James 1.21

Let us bless the Lord
Thanks be to God.

May the God of peace enable us to do His will in every kind of goodness
 working in us what pleases Him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the
 glory for ever and ever, Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**