

A Service of Morning Prayer
June 19, 2022
Second Sunday after Pentecost



Mosaic of the exorcism of the Gerasene demoniac from the [Basilica of Sant'Apollinare Nuovo](#) in [Ravenna](#), dating to the sixth century AD (Wikipedia)

My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord; I know them and they follow me.
John 10.27

CP 524 O Christ the Great Foundation

1 O Christ the great foundation
 on which your people stand
 to preach your true salvation
 in every age and land:
 pour out your Holy Spirit
 to make us strong and pure,
 to keep the faith unbroken
 as long as worlds endure.

2 Baptized in one confession,
 one church in all the earth,
 we bear our Lord's impression,
 the sign of second birth:
 one holy people gather
 in love beyond our own
 by grace we were invited,
 by grace we make you known.

3 Where tyrants' hold is tightened,
 where strong devour the weak,
 where innocents are frightened
 and righteous fear to speak,
 there let your church awaking
 attack the powers of sin
 and, all their ramparts breaking,
 with you the victory win.

4 This is the moment glorious when he,
 who once was dead,
 Shall lead his church victorious,
 their champion and their head.
 The Lord of all creation
 his heavenly kingdom brings:
 The final consummation,
 the glory of all things.

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.**

Psalm 42 and 43 *Refrain: Bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling.*

42:1 As a deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for you, O God.

42:2 My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and behold the face of God?

42:3 My tears have been my food day and night, while people say to me continually, "Where is your God?"

42:4 These things I remember, as I pour out my soul: how I went with the throng, and led them in procession to the house of God, with glad shouts and songs of thanksgiving, a multitude keeping festival.

42:5 Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my help

42:6 and my God. My soul is cast down within me; therefore I remember you from the land of Jordan and of Hermon, from Mount Mizar.

42:7 Deep calls to deep at the thunder of your cataracts; all your waves and your billows have gone over me.

42:8 By day the LORD commands his steadfast love, and at night his song is with me, a prayer to the God of my life.

42:9 I say to God, my rock, "Why have you forgotten me? Why must I walk about mournfully because the enemy oppresses me?"

42:10 As with a deadly wound in my body, my adversaries taunt me, while they say to me continually, "Where is your God?"

42:11 Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my help and my God.

43:1 Vindicate me, O God, and defend my cause against an ungodly people; from those who are deceitful and unjust deliver me!

43:2 For you are the God in whom I take refuge; why have you cast me off? Why must I walk about mournfully because of the oppression of the enemy?

43:3 O send out your light and your truth; let them lead me; let them bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling.

43:4 Then I will go to the altar of God, to God my exceeding joy; and I will praise you with the harp, O God, my God.

43:5 Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my help and my God.

A Reading from 1 Kings 19:1-15a

19:1 Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword.

19:2 Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me, and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow."

19:3 Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there.

19:4 But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors."

19:5 Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat."

19:6 He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again.

19:7 The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you."

19:8 He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

19:9 At that place he came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?"

19:10 He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away."

19:11 He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake;

19:12 and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence.

19:13 When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?"

19:14 He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away."

19:15a Then the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CP 455 Dear God, Compassionate and Kind

1 Dear God, compassionate and kind,
forgive our foolish ways.

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

2 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,
rise up and follow thee!

3 O Sabbath rest by Galilee!
O calm of hills above,
where Jesus knelt to share with thee
the silence of eternity
interpreted by love,
interpreted by love!

4 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,
the beauty of thy peace.

5 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,
O still, small voice of calm.

A Reading from Galatians 3:23-29

3:23 Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed.

3:24 Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith.

3:25 But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian,

3:26 for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith.

3:27 As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.

3:28 There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus.

3:29 And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CP 484 In Christ There Is No East or West

1 In Christ there is no east or west,
in Christ no south or north,
but one great fellowship of love
throughout the whole wide earth.

2 In Christ shall true hearts everywhere
their high communion find,
whose service is the golden cord
close binding humankind.

3 Join hands, disciples of the faith,
what e'er your race may be;
who serves my God in truth and love
is surely kin to me.

4 In Christ now meet both east and west,
in Christ meet south and north;
all faithful souls are joined in one
throughout the whole wide earth.

The Gospel

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Luke 8:26-39

8:26 Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee.

8:27 As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs.

8:28 When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me"--

8:29 for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.)

8:30 Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him.

8:31 They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

8:32 Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission.

8:33 Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

8:34 When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country.

8:35 Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid.

8:36 Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed.

8:37 Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned.

8:38 The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying,

8:39 "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon by the Rev. Heather Liddell

CCLI 5376377 You Alone Can Rescue

1 Who O Lord could save themselves
 Their own soul could heal
 Our shame was deeper than the sea
 Your grace is deeper still
 (REPEAT)

Chorus 1

***And You alone can rescue
 You alone can save
 You alone can lift us from the grave
 You came down to find us led us out of
 death
 To You alone belongs the highest praise***

2 You O Lord have made a way
 The great divide You healed
 For when our hearts were far away
 Your love went further still
 Yes Your love goes further still

Chorus 2

***And You alone can rescue
 You alone can save
 You alone can lift us from the grave
 You came down to find us led us out of
 death
 To You alone belongs the highest praise
 To You alone belongs the highest praise
 You alone***

Bridge

We lift up our eyes
 Lift up our eyes
 You're the giver of life
 We lift up our eyes
 Lift up our eyes
 You're the giver of life
 (REPEAT 4X)

Ending

To You alone belongs the highest praise
 To You alone belongs the highest praise
 To You alone

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 compiled and led by Lesley Lambert

Loving Father, we thank You for the gift of this summer's day and for the opportunity to come together to offer prayer and praise. Hear us as we bring our humble supplications before You, trusting that You will hear us and grant the desires of our hearts as is best for us and for those for whom we pray. Let us be still awhile and allow You to enter our hearts as we pray.

In our prayers for Your holy church today we pray for the Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan; The Diocese of Ottawa, the Rt. Rev. Shane Parker, Bishop; St. John the Divine, Onoway, Cheryl Boulet, Rector; The Buye Diocese, Kabanga Parish, Lazar Rudende, Rector; The Samson Cree Nation. We ask Your blessing on our Bishop, Steven, and our ministry here at St. Peter's, Heather and Alison. Let us remember today the work of the Westmount Christian Council and the many events over the years where we have joined with other local parishes to offer common praise and joyful fellowship with an opportunity to support small local relief agencies.

We pray today for the people of Ukraine living with the terrible war that has become their daily reality. Be with them and with those who offer them refuge at this most terrible time. We know You are hurting too as You watch conflict and destruction and we pray Your voice may be somehow heard above the bombs and gunfire and that You might enter the hearts of those who perpetuate violence and cause them to seek for peaceful solutions. Hear us as we pray for strength in our leaders to strive for a better tomorrow, a tomorrow where there is peace on earth and also a respect and care for this beautiful Earth we are privileged to know as our home.

We pray for all those who are afflicted in mind, body or spirit, for the hungry, the homeless, the addicted, and for those who feel lonely or neglected in any way. We remember today most especially those for whom our prayers have been requested today: Sandra, Merle, Mona, Lois Ward, Mary, Irene, Kathryn, Helen, Jenifer, Judy, Tony and Mary Jean, Luisa, Miranda, Iain, Bill and Diane, Maxime, Geraldine, Florence, Joan, Shirley and Cyril, Mark and Blake, Danny and Jane, Lisa, Marijka, Chrissie, Cathy and the family, Brad, Doug and Emily Erin. We pray for them as we pray also for all caregivers in the home and the hospital and for all our health workers who have endured a most difficult couple of years. Grant them the peace of rest at night to wake refreshed in the morning as they go about their day.

We pray for those whom we love who have gone before us to join You in Your heavenly kingdom. Today we remember especially Lois Davis and Joyce Vaags. May they rest in peace and rise again in glory.

Hear us as we pray, O Lord, and allow us to feel Your presence as we go about our day. May we seek to further Your kingdom on this earth in every way we can, seeking only to please You in everything we do. Forgive us in our failures and encourage us to strive, every day of our lives, to try to live as we have been taught by Your son, our dear lord, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Collect

O God our defender,
 storms rage about us and cause us to be afraid.
 Rescue your people from despair,
 deliver your sons and daughters from fear,
 and preserve us all from unbelief;
 through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,
 who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and ever. Amen.

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.**

CP481 May the Grace of Christ Our Saviour

1 May the grace of Christ our Saviour, and the Father's boundless love,
 with the Holy Spirit's favour, rest upon us from above.

2 Thus may we abide in union with each other and the Lord,
 and possess in sweet communion joys which earth cannot afford.

3 To the God whose wisdom made us, to the Son who set us free,
 to the sanctifying Spirit, glory, endless glory, be!

The Dismissal

My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord; I know them and they follow me.
John 10.27

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.

My dear friends, be swift to love, make haste to be kind,
 and go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.