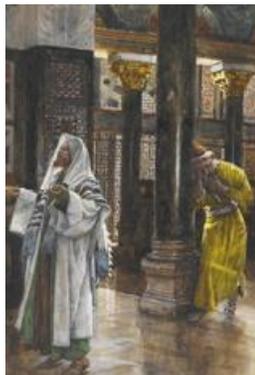


**A Service of Morning Prayer**  
**October 23, 2022**  
**Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost**



**Pharisee and the Publican 1886-1894**

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 with the message of reconciliation. *2 Corinthians 5:19*

**CP 252 Spirit, Come, Dispel Our Sadness**

1 Spirit, come, dispel our sadness;  
 pierce the clouds of nature's night.  
 Come, O source of joy and gladness,  
 breathe your life, and spread your light.  
 From the height which knows no measure,  
 as a gracious shower descend,  
 bringing down the richest treasure  
 we can wish, or God can send.

2 Author of the new creation,  
 come, anoint us with your power.  
 Make our hearts your habitation;  
 with your grace our spirits shower.  
 Hear, O hear our supplication,  
 blessed Spirit, God of peace!  
 Rest upon this congregation  
 with the fullness of your grace

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 65

*Refrain:* Deliverance belongs to the Lord.

65:1 Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion; and to you shall vows be performed,  
 65:2 O you who answer prayer! To you all flesh shall come.  
 65:3 When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, you forgive our transgressions.  
 65:4 Happy are those whom you choose and bring near to live in your courts. We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, your holy temple.  
 65:5 By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance, O God of our salvation; you are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.  
 65:6 By your strength you established the mountains; you are girded with might.  
 65:7 You silence the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, the tumult of the peoples.  
 65:8 Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are awed by your signs; you make the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy.  
 65:9 You visit the earth and water it, you greatly enrich it; the river of God is full of water; you provide the people with grain, for so you have prepared it.  
 65:10 You water its furrows abundantly, settling its ridges, softening it with showers, and blessing its growth.  
 65:11 You crown the year with your bounty; your wagon tracks overflow with richness.  
 65:12 The pastures of the wilderness overflow, the hills gird themselves with joy,  
 65:13 the meadows clothe themselves with flocks, the valleys deck themselves with grain, they shout and sing together for joy.

### Reading from Joel 2:23-32

2:23 O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the LORD your God; for he has given the early rain for your vindication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before.  
 2:24 The threshing floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.  
 2:25 I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you.  
 2:26 You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the LORD your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame.  
 2:27 You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the LORD, am your God and there is no other. And my people shall never again be put to shame.  
 2:28 Then afterward I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall

prophecy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions.

2:29 Even on the male and female slaves, in those days, I will pour out my spirit.

2:30 I will show portents in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke.

2:31 The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and terrible day of the LORD comes.

2:32 Then everyone who calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved; for in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the LORD has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the LORD calls.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### CP 100 Comfort, Comfort Ye My People

1 Comfort, comfort ye my people,  
speak ye peace: thus saith our God.  
Comfort those who sit in darkness  
bowed beneath oppression's load;  
speak ye to Jerusalem  
of the peace that waits for them:  
tell her that her sins I cover,  
and her warfare now is over.

3 Make ye straight what long was crooked;  
make the rougher places plain.  
Let your hearts be true and humble  
as befits Messiah's reign.  
For the glory of the Lord  
now o'er earth is shed abroad,  
and all flesh shall see the token  
that God's Word is never broken.

2 Hark! The herald's voice is calling  
in the desert far and near,  
calling us to new repentance  
since the reign of God is here.  
Oh, that warning cry obey!  
Now prepare for Christ a way;  
let the valleys rise to meet him,  
and the hills bow down to greet him.

### A Reading from 2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18

4:6 As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come.

4:7 I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.

4:8 From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

4:16 At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them!

4:17 But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth.

4:18 The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

CP 474 Jesus, Where'er Thy People Meet

1 Jesus, where'er thy people meet,  
there they behold thy mercy-seat;  
where'er they seek thee, thou art found,  
and every place is hallowed ground.

2 For thou, within no walls confined,  
inhabitest the humble mind;  
such ever bring you where they come,  
and going, take thee to their home.

3 Here may we prove the power of prayer  
to strengthen faith and sweeten care,  
to teach our faint desires to rise,  
and bring all heaven before our eyes.

4 Lord, we are few, but thou art near;  
nor short thine arm, nor deaf thine ear;  
O rend the heavens, come quickly down,  
and make a thousand hearts thine own!

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 18:9-14

18:9 He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt:

18:10 "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector.

18:11 The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector.

18:12 I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.'

18:13 But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!'

18:14 I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

The Gospel of Christ

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon by the Rev. Alison Westervelt

CCLI 5637528 Like Incense

1 May my prayer like incense rise before  
 You  
 The lifting of my hands a sacrifice  
 Oh Lord Jesus turn Your eyes upon me  
 For I know there is mercy in Your sight  
 Your statutes are my heritage forever  
 My heart is set on keeping Your decrees  
 Please still my anxious urge toward rebellion  
 Let love keep my will upon its knees

2 To all creation I can see a limit  
 But Your commands are boundless and  
 have none  
 So Your word is my joy and meditation  
 From the rising to the setting of the sun  
 All Your ways are loving and are faithful  
 Your road is narrow but Your burden light  
 Because You gladly lean to lead the humble  
 I shall gladly kneel to leave my pride

***Chorus***

***Oh God You are my God  
 And I will ever praise You  
 Oh God You are my God  
 And I will ever praise You***

***Ending***

I will seek You in the morning  
 I will learn to walk in Your ways  
 And step by step You'll lead me  
 And I will follow You all of my days

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 Beth-Anne Exham

FOR OUR INTERCESSIONS TODAY WE WILL USE LITANY # 2 on page 112

Let us pray with confidence to the Lord, saying, "Lord hear our Prayer."

We pray for the Province of the Anglican Church of Congo

In Canada for the Diocese of Caledonia: the Rt. Rev. David Lehmann, Bishop.

In our Diocese we pray for Stephen our Bishop and for the Diocesan Rural Ministry : Chelsy Bouwman, Canon Pastor for Rural Ministry.

and for our St. Peter's family, especially our clergy Heather and Alison, our music ministry, Nadine and all our volunteers and supporters.

In the Diocese of Buye for Hospital Chaplaincy: Daniel Bizimana, Chaplain

We pray for the people of the Metis Nation of Alberta.

O Lord, guard and direct your Church in the way of unity, service, and praise.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray for our King and all in the world who are in authority. We ask that they will listen for Your Spirit to guide them in their decisions. Give to all nations an awareness of the unity of the human family.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Cleanse our hearts of prejudice, racism, and selfishness, and inspire us to hunger and thirst for what is right.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Teach us to use your creation for your greater praise. Direct our response to climate change and all of the disasters happening in the world at this time, that ALL may share the good things you provide.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Strengthen all who give their energy or skill for the healing of those who are sick in body or in mind, especially for those for whom our prayers are requested : Sandra: Merle: Mona: Mary: Irene: Kathryn: Helen: Jenifer: Tony and Mary Jean: Luisa: Miranda: Diane and Bill: Maxime: Geraldine: Florence: Joan: Shirley and Cyril: Mark and Blake: Lisa: Marijke: Chrissie, Cathy and the family: Diane: Janelle: Ruth: and the Rev. Rob Parker.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Set free, particularly during this Pandemic, all who are bound by fear and despair.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Grant the repose of the soul of those who have died, a peaceful end and eternal rest to those who are dying, and your comfort to those who mourn.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you." Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Collect

Lord God our redeemer,  
 who heard the cry of your people  
 and sent your servant Moses  
 to lead them out of slavery,  
 free us from the tyranny of sin and death,  
 and by the leading of your Spirit  
 bring us to our promised land;  
 through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
 who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
 one God, now and for 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.**

CP 616 Father of Heaven, Whose Love Profound

1 Father of heaven, whose love profound  
 a ransom for our souls hath found,  
 before thy throne we sinners bend;  
 to us thy pardoning love extend.

2 Almighty Son, incarnate Word,  
 our prophet priest, redeemer, Lord,  
 before thy throne we sinners bend;  
 to us thy saving grace extend.

3 Eternal Spirit, by whose breath  
 the soul is raised from sin and death,  
 before thy throne we sinners bend;  
 to us thy quickening power extend.

4 Thrice holy! Father, Spirit, Son;  
 mysterious Godhead, Three-in-One,  
 before thy throne we sinners bend;  
 grace, pardon, life to us extend.

## The Dismissal

God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself, and he has entrusted us with the message of reconciliation. *2 Corinthians 5:19*

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.**