A morning service during the Covid-19 restrictions Sixth Sunday after Pentecost - July 12, 2020

#16 God reveals His presence

God reveals his presence: let us now adore him and with awe appear before him. God is in his temple: all within keep silence, prostrate lie with deepest reverence. Him alone God we own, him our God and Saviour; praise his name for ever.



God reveals his presence: hear the harps resounding; see the crowds the throne surrounding. 'Holy, holy, holy!' hear the hymn ascending, angels, saints, their voices blending. Bow thine ear to us here; hearken, O Lord Jesus, to our meaner praises.

O thou Fount of blessing, purify my spirit trusting only in thy merit; like the holy angels who behold thy glory, may I ceaselessly adore thee. Let thy will ever still rule thy church terrestrial, as the hosts celestial.

Gerhard Tersteegen 1697-1769, translated Frederick William Foster 1760-1835

The Lord is in his holy temple: O come, let us worship.

Jubilate Psalm 100

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; * serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God; * he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; * give thanks to him and call upon his name.

For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; * and his 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.

The Psalm for the day Psalm 119:105-112

The Readings for the day: Genesis 25:19-34, Romans 8.1-11, Matthew 13:1-9,18-23 A reflection on the readings (see attached - written by Ms. Cindy Harbottle, parochial lay reader.)

94 Thanks to God

Thanks to God whose word was spoken in the deed that made the earth. His the voice that called a nation, his the fires that tried her worth. God has spoken: praise him for his open word.



Thanks to God whose word incarnate glorified the flesh of man. Deeds and words and death and rising tell the grace in heaven's plan. God has spoken: praise him for his open word.

Thanks to God whose word was written in the Bible's sacred page, record of the revelation showing God to every age. God has spoken, praise him for his open word.

Thanks to God whose word is answered by the Spirit's voice within. Here we drink of joy unmeasured, life redeemed from death and sin. God is speaking: praise him for his open word.

Reginald Thomas Brooks 1918 - 1985

Hear, O Israel

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one.
Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul,
with all your mind, and with all your strength.
This is the first and the great commandment, the second is like it:
Love your neighbour as you love yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.

Prayers (see litany below)

Please remember Karen, Geri, Doe, Thelma, the Anzil household, nursing homes coping with a Covid-19 outbreak, the family of Donna van den Broek as they mourn her recent death.

The Collect for the day

Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you. May we find peace in your service, and in the world to come, see you face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

The Lord's Prayer

#288 Saviour Teach Me Day by Day

Saviour teach me day by day, love's sweet lesson to obey; sweeter lesson cannot be, loving him who first loved me.



With a childlike heart of love at thy bidding may I move, prompt to serve and follow thee, loving him who first loved me.

Teach me thus thy steps to trace, strong to follow in thy grace, learning how to love from thee, loving him who first loved me.

Love in loving finds employ, in obedience all her joy; ever new that joy will be, loving him who first loved me.

Thus may I rejoice to show that I feel the love I owe, singing, till thy face I see, of his love who first loved me.

Jane Eliza Leeson 1807-1881

Dismissal

Then may be said or sung,
Officiant Let us bless the Lord. People Thanks be to God!

18 A Responsive Intercession *The penitential section may be omitted.* In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. *Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbours, and for all those who are alone.

For this community, our country, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the gospel, and all who seek the truth.

For N our bishop, and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For our own needs and those of others.

Silence. The people may add their own petitions.

Hear us, Lord; For your mercy is great.

General Thanksgiving Prayers

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and 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 ourselves 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 honour and glory throughout all ages. **Amen**.

We pray for all those who have died in the peace of Christ, and for those whose faith is known to you alone, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence. The people may add their own petitions.

Lord, let your loving kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion, forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honour and glory of your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The celebrant concludes with an absolution, or the following (or other suitable) collect.

Gracious God, you have heard the prayers of your faithful people; you know our needs before we ask, and our ignorance in asking. Grant our requests as may be best for us. This we ask in the name of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

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