



Morning Prayer, Rite II

ST. JAMES'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

July 19, 2020 | 10:00 a.m.
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Choral Prelude: The Spheres (Kyrie) from *Sunrise Mass*

Ola Gjeilo

Kyrie eleison.	Lord, have mercy.
Christe eleison.	Christ, have mercy.
Kyrie eleison.	Lord, have mercy.

Hymn 686: *Nettleton*, "Come thou fount of every blessing"

Come, thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace.
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount! O fix me on it, mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I find my greatest treasure; hither by thy help I've come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

O, to grace how great a debtor, daily I'm constrained to be!
Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above.

Opening Sentences

Book of Common Prayer, page 78

The Confession of Sin and Absolution

The Officiant says to the people

Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to set forth his praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

Silence may be kept.

Officiant and People together

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Priest alone stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People And our mouth shall proclaim your praise

Officiant and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Jubilate *Psalm 100*

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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.

Wisdom of Solomon 12:13, 16-19

Reader: Carol Fuller

There is no god besides you, whose care is for all people,
to whom you should prove that you have not judged unjustly;
for your strength is the source of righteousness,
and your sovereignty over all causes you to spare all.
For you show your strength when people doubt the completeness of your power,
and you rebuke any insolence among those who know it.
Although you are sovereign in strength, you judge with mildness,
and with great forbearance you govern us;
for you have power to act whenever you choose.
Through such works you have taught your people
that the righteous must be kind,
and you have filled your children with good hope,
because you give repentance for sins.

The Lessons

First Lesson: Genesis 28:10-19a

Reader: Sam Fuller

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the LORD stood beside him and said, "I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place—and I did not know it!" And he was afraid, and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven." So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. He called that place Bethel.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Canticle: Te Deum in G

Ralph Vaughan Williams

We praise thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.
All the earth doth worship thee, the Father everlasting.
To thee all Angels cry aloud,
the Heavens, and all the Powers therein.
To thee Cherubim and Seraphim continually do cry,
Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;
Heaven and earth are full of the majesty of thy glory.
The glorious company of the apostles praise thee.
The goodly fellowship of the prophets praise thee.
The noble army of martyrs praise thee.
The holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge thee;
the Father, of an infinite majesty,
thine honourable, true, and only Son;
also the Holy Ghost, the Comforter.

Thou art the King of glory, O Christ.
Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.
When Thou tookest upon Thee to deliver man,
thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb.
When Thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death,
thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers.
Thou sittest at the right hand of God, in the glory of the Father.
We believe that thou shalt come to be our judge.
We therefore pray thee, help thy servants,
whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.
Make them to be numbered with thy Saints,
in glory everlasting.

Second Lesson: Romans 8:12-25

Reader: Sam Hubbard

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?’ He answered, ‘An enemy has done this.’ The slaves said to him, ‘Then do you want us to go and gather them?’ But he replied, ‘No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.’” Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.” He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sermon: The Reverend Dr. Robert Friend

Apostles’ Creed

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Officiant and People together, all standing as able.

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 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.

The Prayers

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

BCP 97

Officiant and People together

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, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

Suffrages A

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
R. And grant us your salvation.
V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
R. Let the people sing with joy.
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
R. For only in you can we live in safety.
V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
V. Let your way be known upon earth;
R. Your saving health among all nations.
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
R. And sustain in us with your Holy Spirit.

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Other Collects

Prayers for the Parish

Officiant

Please join me in lifting up to God those who have asked for our prayers.

Officiant and People together

Mary Lee Allen, Eleanor Angle, Bill Angus, Cheri Harrell Anthony, Susan Bloor, Connie Cole, Matt Curtis, Buddy Derrick, Craig Ellisfson, Cameron Flippen, Charlie Gamble, Susan Goff, Mary Harrison, Virginia Hopper, Bernadette Howard, Chuckie Jackson, Palmer Johnson, Megan Lecky, Mary Elizabeth Ledford, Emma Mason, Rosalyn McCard, Eve McCray, Keith McMullin, Bunky Miller, Charlie Miller, Harry Moore, Jim Morano, Darlene Ogden, Jess Pillmore, Katherine Reynolds, Sherley Richter, Josalyn Riveria, Barry Scott, Geoff Sisk, Alan Stone, David Wilkinson, Bodie Williamson, Amy, Jennifer, Kelly, Paul and Woody

The Officiant continues with the prayers, found in the back of the bulletin.

Prayer for Mission

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Officiant

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace; So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those that do not know you to the knowledge and love of you, for the honor of your name. *Amen.*

Greeting and Announcements

Anthem: Sicut Cervus

G. P. da Palestrina

*Sicut cervus desiderat
ad fontes aquarum,
ita desiderat anima mea ad te,
Deus.*

As the hart longs
for the water springs,
So longs my soul for thee,
O God.

General Thanksgiving

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Officiant and People
Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to 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 our selves 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 honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

Versicle and Response

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Closing Sentences

Hymn 671: *New Britain*, “Amazing Grace!”

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!

The Lord has promised good to me,
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.

Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come;
'tis grace that brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years
bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we'd first begun.

Postlude: Sicut Cervus – sung by St. James's Choir in Ravenna, Italy
(See text on previous page)

Palestrina

*This Sunday we remember
Betsy and Strother Smith, Elizabeth and Jim Parkinson, James Parkinson III
and
Page Parrish Wright*

Service Participants

Preacher: The Reverend Dr. Robert Friend

Officiant: The Reverend Dr. John McCard

Videographer: W. R. L. Simms

Musicians: Parish Choir

Sicut Cervus: Virtual Choir

Nate Bick

Lisa Mock

Felicity Blunden

Robin Price

Will Conn

Chris Rock

Lisa Edwards Burrs

Gary Smith

Darien Fisher Duke

Alan Stone

Heather Jones

Kay Tyler

Sabrina Lafleur

John Tyndall

Jeanne Lapierre

Antonia FD Vassar

Brian Lawson

Organist: Virginia Ewing Whitmire

Director of Music: Dr. Mark Whitmire

Prayers of the People

Please lift up to God those who have asked for our prayers:

For populations most vulnerable to the COVID virus: especially the Navajoland Indian Reservation
and all our mission partners.

For healthcare workers, first responders and all frontline workers: especially Chris Abplanalp, Jennifer
Ascoli, Eric Bland, Laura Bland, Tracy Carrasquillo, Gussie Carter, Paul Crook, Robert
Crutcher, Lauren Dickinson, Rachel Klavan, Rebecca Krey, Worth Lewis, Anne Byrd

Mahoney, Jimmy Milley, Alex Skidmore, Kaylyn Tucker, Banks Turner, William Welch, Peter Wilbanks, Margaret Williams and Judith Zerkle

For those serving in our Armed Forces: especially Howard Eckstein

For the newly born: especially Thomas James Lodata, son of Katie and Ryan Lodata

For all celebrating their birthdays this week: especially John Braymer, Sarah Echols, Wiley Hause, Caroline Michie, Barry Scott, Bobbie Smith, Johnny Townsend and Antonia Vassar who celebrate their birthdays today

For those who have died recently: especially Judy Motley and Mary E. Williams

Music Notes



This morning's setting of the Kyrie is by the Norwegian composer Ola Gjeilo (b. 1978). It is adapted from his larger work, *Sunrise Mass*, premiered November 2008 in Oslo, Norway. Gjeilo began his composition studies in 2001 at Julliard School, and later graduated with a Master's Degree in 2006 after two years at the Royal College of Music in London.

The Canticle is a setting of the *Te Deum* by 20th-century English composer Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958). Vaughan Williams played a very important role in the history of music in Britain by collecting and studying old English folksongs and by exploring music of the sixteenth century. Drawing upon these new sources, he infused English music with a new vitality, helping English composers to break the German Romantic mold. In addition to composing symphonies, choral works, operas, and ballets, Ralph Vaughan Williams made a major contribution to the church's hymnody. He was the editor of *The English Hymnal* (1906) and composer of numerous hymns, thirty-three of which appear in *The Hymnal 1982*.

The Offertory is St. James's Choir's first Virtual Choir performance. My thanks to the singers who were willing to undertake this musical adventure and to Will Conn, whose technical expertise made it possible. *Sicut cervus* is a setting of Psalm 42:1 by the 16th-century Italian master Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594). After brief service at the cathedral of his hometown, Palestrina was called to St. Peter's in Rome, where he was soon appointed director of the papal choir. The rest of his life was spent in Rome, composing hundreds of masses and motets that have come to be considered perfect models of sacred music. In June of 2013 St. James's Choir gave a spontaneous performance of *Sicut cervus* at the Basilica di San Vitale, Ravenna, Italy (completed in the year 547). It was among the most spiritual moments of the tour. The sense of wonder was heightened when we found among the 5th-century mosaics a depiction of Psalm 42:1, "Like as the deer desires the water-brooks." Today's postlude will be the choir's June 2013 performance of *Sicut cervus* in Ravenna.



Sunday, July 26, 10:00 a.m.

Music next Sunday will feature the West Gallery Choir singing *Hallelujah* as part of the choral prelude at The National Cathedral in 2017 and singer/guitarist Sam Zimmer singing John Prine's *Boundless Love* as the postlude. The Parish Choir will sing Stanford's *Jubilate Deo in Bb* and his beloved *Beati quorum via*.