



Morning Prayer, Rite II

ST. JAMES'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

August 30, 2020 | 10:00 a.m.
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Choral Prelude: How sweet the name of Jesus sounds

Alexander Reinagle

How sweet the name of Jesus sounds in a believer's ear!
It soothes our sorrows, heals our wounds, and drives away our fear.
It makes the wounded spirit whole and calms the troubled breast;
'tis manna to the hungry soul, and to the weary, rest.
Dear Name, the rock on which I build, my shield and hiding place,
my never failing treasury, filled with boundless stores of grace!
O Jesus, Shepherd, Guardian, Friend, O Prophet, Priest, and King,
my Lord, my Life, my Way, my End, accept the praise I bring.
Weak is the effort of my heart, and cold my warmest thought;
but when I see thee as thou art, I'll praise thee as I ought.

~John Newton

Hymn 410: *Lauda anima*, "Praise, my soul, the King of heaven"

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
to his feet thy tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
evermore his praises sing:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favor
to his people in distress;
praise him still the same as ever,
slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like he tends and spares us;
well our feeble frame he knows;
in his hand he gently bears us,
rescues us from all our foes.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Widely yet his mercy flows.

Angels, help us to adore him;
ye behold him face to face;
sun and moon, bow down before him,
dwellers all in time and space.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise with us the God of grace.

Opening Sentences

Book of Common Prayer, page 78

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

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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.

Psalm 26:1-8 *Judica me, Domine*

Reader: Andy Smith

Give judgment for me, O LORD, for I have lived with integrity;
I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered.
Test me, O LORD, and try me;
examine my heart and my mind.
For your love is before my eyes;
I have walked faithfully with you.
I have not sat with the worthless, *
nor do I consort with the deceitful.
I have hated the company of evildoers;
I will not sit down with the wicked.
I will wash my hands in innocence, O LORD,
that I may go in procession round your altar,

Singing aloud a song of thanksgiving
and recounting all your wonderful deeds.
LORD, I love the house in which you dwell
and the place where your glory abides.

The Lessons

First Lesson: Exodus 3:1-15

Reader: Christy Lantz

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the LORD said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt."

But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain." But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I AM has sent me to you.'"
God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you': This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Canticle S205: Te Deum laudamus

Plainsong, Tone 8

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 adorable, 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 humble thyself to be born of a Virgin.
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.

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.

Second Lesson: Matthew 16: 21-28

Reader: The Reverend Dr. Robert Friend

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?"

"For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Anthem: Christe, adoramus te

Claudio Monteverdi

Christe, adoramus te,
et benedicimus tibi:
Quia per sanguinem tuum pretiosum
redemisti mundum,
miserere nobis.

We adore you, O Christ,
and we bless you,
because with your precious blood
you have redeemed the world.
Have mercy on us.

Sermon: The Reverend Dr. Mark Cooper

Apostles' Creed

BCP 96

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.

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People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

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

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and 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, the family of Eleanor Angle, Bill Angus, Cheri Harrell Anthony, Susan Bain, Susan Bloor, Butch and Tedi Butler, Alice Campbell, Susan Campbell, Matt Curtis, Buddy Derrick, Craig Ellisfson, Cameron Flippen, Susan Goff, the family of Acacia L. Gross, Charlotte Harbach, Mary Harrison, Tommy Hench, Virginia Hopper, Bernadette Howard,

Chuckie Jackson, Palmer Johnson, Roy Lambertson, Katy and Ben Lawson, Emma Mason, Rosalyn McCard, Eve McCray, Keith McMullin, Bunky Miller, Charlie Miller, Harry Moore, Jim Morano, Christine Newbold, Darlene Ogden, Jess Pillmore, Jack Rawles, Katherine Reynolds, Josalyn Riveria, Vicki Sabatella, Derrick Satter, Barry Scott, Geoff Sisk, David Wilkinson, Bodie Williamson, Amy, Eric, 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: I am the Rose of Sharon

William Billings

I am the Rose of Sharon and the lily of the valley.
As the Lily among the thorns,
so is my Love among the Daughters.
As the Apple tree, among the trees of the wood,
so is my Beloved among the Sons.
I sat down under his shadow with great delight,
And his fruit was sweet to my taste.

He brought me to the Banqueting House,
His Banner over me was Love.

Stay me with Flagons, Comfort me with Apples,
for I am sick of Love.

I charge you, O ye Daughters of Jerusalem,
by the Roes and by the Hinds of the Field,
that you stir not up nor awake my Love till he please.

The voice of my Beloved, behold, he cometh,
Leaping upon the mountains, skipping upon the Hills.

My Beloved spake and said unto me:
rise up, my Love, my fair one, and come away,
for Lo, the Winter is past, the rain is over and gone.

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 477: *Engelberg*, “All praise to Thee”

All praise to Thee, for thou, O King divine,
didst yield the glory that of right was thine,
that in our darkened hearts thy grace might shine. Alleluia.

Thou cam’st to us in lowliness of thought;
by thee the outcast and the poor were sought;
and by thy death was God’s salvation wrought. Alleluia.

Let this mind be in us which was in thee,
who wast a servant that we might be free,
humbling thyself to death on Calvary. Alleluia.

Wherefore, by God’s eternal purpose, thou
art high exalted o’er all creatures now,
and given the Name to which all knees shall bow. Alleluia.

Let every tongue confess with one accord
in heaven and earth that Jesus Christ is Lord;
and God the Father be by all adored. Alleluia. Amen.

Postlude: Placare Christe Servulis

Marcel Dupré

*This Sunday we remember
Mr. and Mrs. George Gilmer Minor, Mr. George Gilmer Minor, Jr.,
And Roddey Watkins Minor*

Service Participants

Preacher: The Reverend Dr. Mark Cooper

Officiant: The Reverend Dr. John McCard

Videographer: W. R. L. Simms

Musicians:

Choral Prelude: Youth Choir, Caroline Hopper, soloist

Christe, adoramus te: Parish Choir, Jeanne Lapierre and Chris Rock, soloists

I am the Rose of Sharon: West Gallery Choir

Hymns and Canticle: Parish Choir

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 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, Brian Hoffmann, 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 those about to be baptized: especially Elizabeth Spilman Crowley

For the recently married: especially Ellen Moncure Geho and Tyler Scott Finney; and Jessica Marie Maddux and

Daniel Waling Van Winkle

For all celebrating their birthdays this week: especially David Bemen, Betsy Blair, Walter Coleman, Shawn Crumlish, Chap Michie, Hank Mullins, Patrick Mullins, Cole Roberts, Barbara Robinson, Nan Semmelman and Karen Stanley who celebrate their birthdays today

For those who have died recently: especially Paula Gulak

Music Notes



How sweet the name of Jesus sounds is Hymn 644 in our hymnal. The text is by John Newton (1725-1807), who also wrote the words of ‘Amazing Grace.’ Some scholars have suggested Newton’s poem is a reflection on Song of Solomon 1:3: “Thy name is an ointment poured forth.” The tune, by the English organist and composer Alexander Reinagle (1799-1877), is named for the church in Oxford where Reinagle was organist from 1822 to 1856.

Christe, adoramus te is by the Italian composer Claudio Monteverdi (1567-1643.) Monteverdi spent his early career at the court of Mantua, first as a singer and violist, then as Music Director. In 1613 he became Music Director at San Marco in Venice. In addition to sacred music, he was a famous composer of madrigals and opera. The text of *Christe, adoramus te* appears during Vespers on the feast day of the Holy Cross.

I am the Rose of Sharon is a setting of The Song of Solomon 2:1-11, composed in 1778 by the early-American composer William Billings (1746-1800). He is widely regarded as the father of American choral music though he never received formal training in music. Billings took up tanning as a profession and lived his entire life in Boston. Married with six children, he died in poverty at the age of 54. The recording used today is from the Choral Prelude sung at the National Cathedral by the West Gallery Choir in 2019.