

**Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 20, 2020
Christ Church of Exeter
10:00 a.m. on Zoom and YouTube Live**

Officiant: The Rev. Mark Pendleton

Lector: Becky Moore

Preacher: The Rev. David Holroyd

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Cantor and Tech Assistant: Maggie O'Neill

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Organist: Bruce Adami

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A NOTE ON HYMNS & COPYRIGHT

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Choir of the week: Rotterdam Symphony Chorus
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YVowLNuV4Zk>

Agnus Dei by Samuel Barber

You can find out more about the RSC here:

<https://www.facebook.com/RotterdamSymphonyChorus/>

Service of Morning Prayer 10:00 a.m. on Zoom and YouTube Live

Prelude: Adagio in A minor J. S. Bach

(Spotlight on Mark)

Welcome

Book of Common Prayer Page 78

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ. Philippians 1:2

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord." Psalm 122:1

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer. Psalm 19:14

Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me, and bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling. Psalm 43:3

The Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him. Habakkuk 2:20

The hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and in truth, for such the Father seeks to worship him. John 4:23

Thus says the high and lofty One who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy, "I dwell in the high and holy place and also with the one who has a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble and to revive the heart of the contrite." Isaiah 57:15

(Spotlight on Mark)

Confession of Sin

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 in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

or this

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Officiant and People together

(Spotlight on People)

**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 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 Page 80

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

(Spotlight on People)

***People* And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

(Spotlight on Mark)

Officiant and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

(Spotlight on People)

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

(Spotlight on Mark)

The Collect of the Day

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

One of the following Antiphons may be sung or said with the Invitatory Psalm

(Spotlight on Mark)

Officiant: The earth is the Lord's for he made it: Come let us adore him.

(Spotlight on People)

Venite *Psalm 95:1-7 Pg. 82 in BCP*

Come, let us sing to the Lord; *
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.
For the Lord is a great God, *
and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *
and the heights of the hills are his also.
The sea is his, for he made it, *
and his hands have molded the dry land.
Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

Officiant: The earth is the Lord's for he made it: Come let us adore him.

(Spotlight on Sally)

Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45

- 1 Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name; *
make known his deeds among the peoples.
- 2 **Sing to him, sing praises to him, ***
and speak of all his marvelous works.
- 3 Glory in his holy Name; *
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.
- 4 **Search for the Lord and his strength; ***
continually seek his face.
- 5 Remember the marvels he has done, *
his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,

**6 O offspring of Abraham his servant, *
O children of Jacob his chosen.**

37 He led out his people with silver and gold; *
in all their tribes there was not one that stumbled.

**38 Egypt was glad of their going, *
because they were afraid of them.**

39 He spread out a cloud for a covering *
and a fire to give light in the night season.

**40 They asked, and quails appeared, *
and he satisfied them with bread from heaven.**

41 He opened the rock, and water flowed, *
so the river ran in the dry places.

**42 For God remembered his holy word *
and Abraham his servant.**

43 So he led forth his people with gladness, *
his chosen with shouts of joy.

**44 He gave his people the lands of the nations, *
and they took the fruit of others' toil,**

45 That they might keep his statutes *
and observe his laws. Hallelujah!

(Spotlight on Mark)

At the end of the Psalms is sung or said
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *

People: As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

The Lessons

(Spotlight on Reader)

Reader: This morning's first reading comes from Exodus (16:2-15)

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger." Then the Lord said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days." So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "In the evening you shall know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your complaining against the Lord. For what are we, that you complain against us?" And Moses said, "When the Lord gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the Lord has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the Lord." Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining.'" And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. The Lord spoke to Moses and said, "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.'" In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat.

The Reader may say Here ends the Lesson.

(Mark to announce hymn)

Hymn 512 Glorious things of thee are spoken

(Spotlight on David)

GOSPELLER: This morning's Gospel comes from Matthew (20:1-16)

Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into

his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

The Reader may say Here ends the Lesson.

Homily (Spotlight on Mark)

(Then after homily, Mark will introduce Apostles Creed -- then Spotlight on People)

The Apostles' Creed Pg. 96
Officiant and People together

**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.**

(Spotlight on Sally)

Prayers of the People (*adapted for use in Morning Prayer*) Led by Sally.

Let us pray for the Church and for the world. God of love, we pray for your church: For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Rob, our bishop; for all lay and ordained ministers; and for all who seek you in the community of the faithful. Equip us with compassion and love, to carry out your work of reconciliation in the world.

God of love, Hear our prayers for the church.

Silence — Add your prayers, aloud or in your hearts

God of freedom, we pray for our nation, and all the nations of the world: For peace and unity across barriers of language, color, and creed; for elected and appointed leaders, that they would serve the common good. Inspire all people with courage to speak out against hatred, and unite the human family in bonds of love. God of freedom, Hear our prayers for the world.

Silence — Add your prayers, aloud or in your hearts

God of justice, we pray for the earth, your creation which you entrusted to our care. Move us to protect the earth and all its resources, that we may leave the legacy of beauty and abundance that you have given us. God of justice, Hear our prayers for the earth.

Silence — Add your prayers, aloud or in your hearts

God of peace, we pray for this community: For our local leaders and our neighborhoods and workplaces. Kindle in every heart a desire for equality, respect, and opportunity for all. Help us to be instruments of peace, beginning here at home. God of peace, Hear our prayers for this community.

Silence — Add your prayers, aloud or in your hearts

God of mercy, we pray for all in any need or trouble: For those whose lives are closely linked with ours, and the whole human family. For refugees and prisoners; for the sick and suffering, the lonely and despairing; for those facing violence; for all held down by prejudice or injustice. Awaken in us compassion and humility, as we seek and serve Christ in all persons. God of mercy, Hear our prayers for all who are in need.

Silence — Add your prayers, aloud or in your hearts

God of grace, we pray for those who have died: For the faithful in every generation who have worked for justice; for prophets who called us to racial reconciliation; for martyrs who died because of hatred; and for all the communion of saints. Inspire us to proclaim your Good News, by word and example, and bring us at last into the glorious company of the saints in light. God of grace, Hear our prayers for those who have died.

Silence — Add your prayers, aloud or in your hearts

Jane Sigloh, Nick, Nesta and Dean, Maureen and Lee, Dennis, Steve, Karen Foote, Donna Lee, Melanie, Trina, Lionel, Judy, Carol, Deb, Tom, Kristi, Tom

Intercessions and thanksgivings may follow using the chat function.

We remember those who have died:

Officiant Let us pray our Lord's Prayer

(Spotlight on People)

People

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.

The Offertory and Announcements (Highlight from Enews)

But do not neglect to do good and share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.
Hebrews 13:15,16

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Musical Offering

God is Love
Maggie O'Neill, soprano
Bruce Adami, piano

W.B. Olds

Before the close of the Office one or both of the following may be used

(Spotlight on People)

The General Thanksgiving *page 101*

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.

Or

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom page 102

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.

(Mark to announce hymn)

Hymn 541 Come, labor on

Then may be said

(Spotlight on Mark)

Blessing

Let us bless the Lord.

(Spotlight on People)

Thanks be to God.

The Officiant may then conclude with one of the following

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. *Amen. 2 Corinthians 13:14*

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. *Amen. Romans 15:13*

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. *Amen. Ephesians 3:20,21*

Postlude: *Toccata in C major J. S. Bach*

We invite you to stay online for our virtual coffee hour