

Sung Eucharist Traditional Rite

The Book of Alternative Services

27 September 2020

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Cross of Nails Sunday

11:00am



St. George's Cathedral, Kingston

Setting: *Merbecke*

Prelude: *Rhosymedre*, R.Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

The Gathering of the Community

All stand. The presiding celebrant greets the community

Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Then may be said by the celebrant alone or with the people,

Almighty God,
unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our
hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may
perfectly love thee,
and worthily magnify thy holy name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Summary of the Law

Celebrant Our Lord Jesus Christ said: hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is one Lord; and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

People **Lord, have mercy upon us, and write both these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.**

Kyrie Eleison

**Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

The Collect of the Day

The celebrant shall say,

God of our salvation, we falter before the demands of your word and turn away from your call to life. As you showed mercy to your people of old, pour out your mercy on us, so that we may turn from our sinfulness and walk the path of self-emptying love made known in Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

The Readings (Connie Gardiner)

Reader A reading from the Book of Exodus (17:1-7)

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarrelled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The LORD said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Ho-reb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarrelled and tested the LORD, saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

At the conclusion of the passage, the reader says,

The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 78 *Attendite, popule*

1 Hear my teaching, O my people: / incline your ears unto the words of my mouth.

2 I will open my mouth in a parable; / I will utter dark sayings from of old;

3 Which we have heard and known, / and such as our fathers have told us.

4 We will not hide them from their children, but tell them to the generation to come, / even the praises of the LORD, and his might, and his wonderful works that he hath done.

12 But forgot what he had done, / and the wonderful works that he had showed for them.

13 Marvellous things did he in the sight of their fathers, / in the land of Egypt, even in the field of Zoan.

14 He divided the sea, and let them go through; / and he made the waters to stand as a heap.

15 In the day-time also he led them with a cloud, / and all the night through with a light of fire.

16 He rent the hard rocks in the wilderness, / and gave them drink abundantly as from the deep.

Reader A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians (2: 1-13)

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death — even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

At the conclusion of the passage, the reader says,

The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Reader The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

When he entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things. 'What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

The Gospel of Christ.

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

Sermon – The Rt Rev. George Bruce

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
and of all things visible and invisible;
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of the Father before all worlds,
God, of God; Light, of Light;
very God, of very God;
begotten, not made;
being of one substance with the Father;
through whom all things were made:
who for us and for our salvation
came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,
and was made man,
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried,
and the third day he rose again
according to the scriptures,
and ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of the Father.
And he shall come again with glory
to judge both the quick and the dead:
whose kingdom shall have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Ghost,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together
is worshipped and glorified,
who spake by the prophets.
And I believe one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church.
I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins.
And I look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People (Eleanor Rogers)

Leader We give thanks for all the reconciliation work inspired by Coventry Cathedral and its network of Cross of Nails partners around the world. We think of all who bear physical and

mental scars from wounding experiences of the past – from sexual abuse, war, poverty, or emotional trauma of any kind. Lord, pour your spirit of healing and wholeness into their hearts and minds, that they may be the people you made them to be.

People **Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

We pray that we may live with difference and celebrate diversity

Leader We think of all who are marginalised, excluded or hated because of their colour, background, sexuality or political views. Give us grace to value our diversity, to love each other as equals, as you created us; that we may realise that we have more in common than that which divides us. May we listen and be kinder to one other.

People **Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Lord, give us grace to build a culture of peace.

Leader Help us to reimagine a world that is healed of its wounds and of pandemic disease. That we may realise that: “We are waves of the same sea, leaves of the same tree, flowers of the same garden.”

People **Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Leader May all our worship and service be given in a spirit of reconciling love and graciousness.

People **Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Leader Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy name thou wilt hear their requests: fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting; for thou, Father, art good and loving, and we glorify thee through thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, in the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

Litany of Reconciliation

All have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God.

The hatred which divides nation from nation, race from race, class from class,

Father, forgive.

The covetous desires of people and nations to possess what is not their own,

Father, forgive.

The greed which exploits the work of human hands and lays waste the earth,

Father, forgive.

Our envy of the welfare and happiness of others,

Father, forgive.

Our indifference to the plight of the imprisoned, the homeless, the refugee,

Father, forgive.

The lust which dishonours the bodies of men, women and children,

Father, forgive.

The pride which leads us to trust in ourselves and not in God,
Father, forgive.

**Be kind to one another, tender hearted, forgiving one another, as God in
Christ forgave you.**

Collect: Hope in Uncertainty

Loving God, you hold us steady through the storms of life.
We come to you bearing raw wounds of loss and grief,
Knowing fresh fractures in our world and in ourselves,
Full of fear that threatens even our peace in you.
Meet us in this strange landscape.
Give us grace, so we may sing your songs of hope
And the strength to work with you to make all things new
In Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

All stand, and the presiding celebrant addresses the people.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Offertory Hymn (please stay seated while the Choristers sing)

Lord of beauty, thine the splendor
shown in earth and sky and sea,
burning sun and moonlight tender,
hill and river, flower and tree:
lest we fail our praise to render
touch our eyes that they may see.

2

Lord of wisdom, whom obeying
mighty waters ebb and flow,
while unhasting, undelaying,
planets on their courses go:
in thy laws thyself displaying,
teach our minds thyself to know.

3

Lord of life, alone sustaining
all below and all above,
Lord of love, by whose ordaining
sun and stars sublimely move:
in our earthly spirits reigning,
lift our hearts that we may love.

Lord of beauty, bid us own thee,
 Lord of truth, our footsteps guide,
 till as Love our hearts enthrone thee,
 and, with vision purified,
 Lord of all, when all have known thee,
 thou in all art glorified

Grafton

C.A. Alington 1872-1955

Tantum Ergo from Chants Ordinaires de l'Office

Divin Paris 1881

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Eucharistic Prayer A

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People **It is meet and right so to do.**

Celebrant It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, creator and preserver of all things.

Here follows the Proper Preface

Celebrant Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name; evermore praising thee and saying:

Choristers Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee, almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake it; and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise after supper he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying,

"Drink ye all, of this; for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy bread of eternal life and the cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded:

All **We praise thee, we bless thee, we thank thee, and we pray to thee, Lord our God.**

Celebrant And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; And we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Saviour Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say:

All **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.**

Silence

The Breaking of the Bread

Then the celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. Then may be said,

All **We do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, Trusting in our own righteousness, But in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy So much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table. But thou art the same Lord, Whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, So to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, And to drink his blood, That we may evermore dwell in him, And he in us. Amen.**

Agnus Dei

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world: have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world: have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world: grant us thy peace.

The Communion

The celebrant and people receive the communion in one kind only. At the distribution the minister says to each communicant,

The body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for thee (preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life: take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on him in thy heart by faith with thanksgiving).

The communicant responds each time, Amen.

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **Almighty and everliving God, We most heartily thank thee That thou dost graciously feed us, in these holy mysteries, With the spiritual food of the most precious body and blood Of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; Assuring us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; And that we are living members of his mystical Body, Which is the blessed company of all faithful people; And are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom.**

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, Ourselves, our souls and bodies, To be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee. And although we are unworthy, Yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, Not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences; Through Jesus Christ our Lord, To whom, with thee and the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, World without end. Amen.

Dismissal (based on the words of Henri Frederic Amiel 1821-1881)

Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who journey with us.

And so make haste to love, and be swift to be kind;
And may the God who travels with us, the God of pilgrimage, the God of Hope,
 bless, care and keep you,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
Now and always.

People **Amen**

Postlude: *Tallis Theme* from R.Vaughan Williams (1872-1958) *Fantasia on a Theme of Tallis*,
arr M & G Shaw

Prayer List: The Very Rev Sharon Murdoch, The Ven Michael Caswell, Rev Don Goodwin,
Kathy Anderson, Bishop Peter Mason, Anne Kirkpatrick.

We are delighted that you are with us for worship today.

Every person who is baptized is invited to the Lord's Table to receive Holy Communion with us. Gluten-free wafers are available. Please ask at the altar rail. All people are welcome to come forward at the time of Communion. Please cross your arms to indicate a prayer of blessing if you do not wish to receive Communion.

The flowers at the High Altar today are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Michael David Edwards, our beloved grandson, from Muriel and David Smith

Parish Cycle of prayer: Pray for St. George's Executive Committee: Rector's Warden Harold Redekopp; People's Warden Laurie Dempsey; Deputy Warden Megan (Bruce) Ariki; Treasurer Warren Everett; and we pray for the following households: Ken Adams, Shirley Adamson, John and Tanya Ambrose, and their families.

Readings for Sunday October 4, Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Exodus 20:1-4,7-9,12-10; Psalm 19; Philippians 3:4b-14; Matthew 21:33-46

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tickets: If you have an email address, we recommend parishioners please register themselves with **Eventbrite** (<http://bit.ly/SGCTickets>); there is a video on our YouTube channel (<http://bit.ly/SGCKingston>) that provides a walkthrough of the process if you need assistance. If you do not have a computer or email address please call the parish office at 613-548-4617 to reserve a space for the coming Sunday. Thank you!

Interim Dean: The Ven. David Selzer
Interim Director of Music: Brad Barbeau
Choristers: Katriona Lane, George Turcotte