



THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST AN ONLINE SERVICE OF MORNING PRAYER

Sunday, September 5,2021 10:30am

PRELUDE

Epigram 7 (from a set of 9)

Zoltán Kodály (1882-1967)

Played by *Philip Crozier* – Organ of Altenberg Cathedral, Germany





Opening Responsories

Officiant: Jesus preached the gospel of the kingdom and healed every

infirmity among the people. (Matthew 4.23)

Officiant: Grace, mercy and peace

from God our Father

and the Lord Jesus Christ

be with you.

People: And also with you.

HYMN 247 Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise



Collect for the Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Officiant: Stir up, O Lord,

the wills of your faithful people,

that richly bearing the fruit of good works,

we may by you be richly rewarded;

through Jesus Christ our Lord,

who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit

one God, now and for ever

All: Amen.



Psalm 125

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- 1 Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion, * which cannot be moved, but stands fast for ever.
- 2 The hills stand about Jerusalem; * so does the Lord stand round about his people, from this time forth for evermore.
- 3 The sceptre of the wicked shall not hold sway over the land allotted to the just, * so that the just shall not put their hands to evil.

4 Show your goodness, O Lord, to those who are good * and to those who are true of heart.

5 As for those who turn aside to crooked ways, the Lord will lead them away with the evildoers; * but peace be upon Israel.

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.

New Testament Reading

(Read in French)

Reader: A Reading from the Letter of James

(James 2.1-10, 11-13, 14-17)

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favouritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, 'Have a seat here, please', while to the one who is poor you say, 'Stand there', or, 'Sit at my feet', have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him?

But you have dishonoured the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you? You do well if you really fulfil the royal law according to the scripture, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. For the one who said, 'You shall not commit adultery', also said, 'You shall not murder.' Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. For judgement will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgement.

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, 'Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill', and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

Reader: Acclamons la Parole du Seigneur.

People: Nous rendons grâce à Dieu.

A moment of silence is observed.

HYMN 393 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise



A Reading from the Gospel of Mark (Mark 7.24-37)

From there he set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophoenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, 'Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs.' But she answered him, 'Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs.'

Then he said to her, 'For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter.' So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone. Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, 'Ephphatha', that is, 'Be opened.' And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly.

Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, 'He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.'

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

A moment of silence is observed.



A short time of silence is observed to ponder the readings and psalms.

Homily: The Rev. Dr. Holly Ratcliffe

HYMN 501 Through All the Changing





Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

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Officiant: I believe in God,

People: 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.



The Prayers of the People

Leader:

Let us pray to God our Father who gives justice to the oppressed and food to those who are hungry.

We pray for the Church throughout the world, for this holy gathering, and for the people of God in every place.

Prayers for the church are offered

Guide your Church in the way of the Gospel: may your Holy Spirit keep her faithful and warm-hearted. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, graciously hear us.

Leader: We pray for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority.

Prayers are world are offered

Leader: Bring justice to our world, that all people may live in the joy of your

peace. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, graciously hear us.

Leader: For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the

earth. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, graciously hear us.

Leader: We pray for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison.

Prayers for the sick and those in need are offered

Leader: Comfort and heal all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of salvation. Lord, hear us:

All: Lord, graciously hear us.

Leader: We pray for all those who have died in the peace of Christ, and for all the departed.

The names of those who have died are offered

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.

All: And let light perpetual shine upon them.

Leader: May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

All: Amen.

Officiant: God of healing and salvation, hear us as we pray for your mercy, open our ears to receive your word, and release our tongues to sing your praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

All: Amen.



The Lord's Prayer

Officiant: Gathering our prayers and praises into one,

let us pray as our Saviour taught us,

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,

the power, and the glory,

for ever and ever.

Amen.

HYMN 525 The Church's One Foundation





Blessing

Priest: May God who is the source of all goodness and growth,

pour his blessing upon all things created,

and upon us his children,

that we may use his gifts to his glory and the welfare of all peoples;

and the blessing of God Almighty,

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,

be with us now and remain with us always.

People: Amen.

Priest: Go in the peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!



POSTLUDE

God of Grace and God of Glory
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Announcements

- Mid-week Online Worship and Bible study is taking a break during the month of August and will resume on September 8th.
- Beginning next week, the 10:30 service will be streaming on zoon.
- Church Opening September 12th, with 9:00 am and 10:30 am services. Register on Realm!

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