

The Season After Pentecost The Second Sunday after Pentecost

June 14, 2020

St. George's Church & Glenn Dale,
Maryland
The Episcopal Diocese of Washington



Prelude: The God of Abraham Praise arr. Lyndell Leatherman. Dr. Joshua Fishbein, piano

Welcome and Introduction

Opening Hymn: Hymnal 1982 - #401 The God of Abraham Praise, v 1-3



The God of A-braham praise, who reigns en-throned a - bove; An-cient of ev - er-He by him-self hath sworn: we on his oath de-pend; we shall, on ea-gle There dwells the Lord, our King, the Lord, our Right-eous-ness, tri - um-phant o'er the



Lord, the great last - ing days, and the love: by shall be - hold his heaven a - scend: we wings up-borne, to face. we world and Prince of Zi - on's sa - cred height; his sin, the Peace: on



earth and heaven con-fessed: we bow and bless the sa - cred Name for ev-er blest. shall his power a - dore, and sing the won-ders or his grace for ev-er more. king-dom he main-tains, and glo-rious with his saints in light, for ev-er reigns.

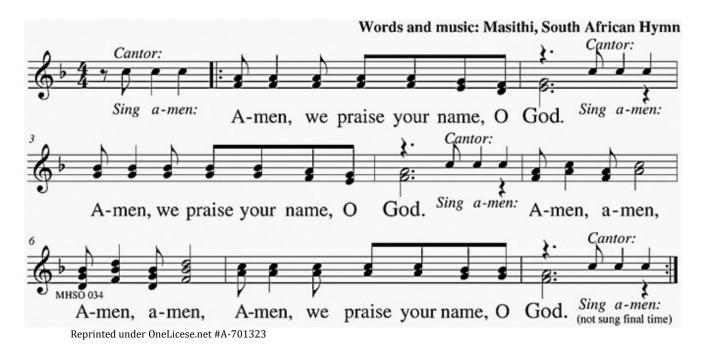
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Celebrant: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People: Glory to God for ever and ever.

All pray together: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gloria: MHSO Amen, We Praise Your Name



Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray together: God of Love and Justice, who became human for our salvation: Open our minds, liberate our hearts, and strengthen our souls, that we may live into the fullness of your desires for us. Let your Word renew our hope and lead us in the paths of justice and truth; in the name of the Creator, the Word, and the Spirit. Amen.

Prayers for This Time

O God of Love and Justice, visit us now as we reel from the events of the past weeks, months, years of injustice; be near to us in our lament. Blood has been shed, precious lives have been lost, evil has had its say. Lord, have mercy upon us. **All: Lord have mercy.**

We pray for all who have died due to racial injustice and violence, especially George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, and Amaud Arbery, but also all of those named and unnamed, recorded and unrecorded. We acknowledge the hold racism and prejudice have on our national psyche and pray that we be set free from this bondage. Christ, have mercy. All: Christ have mercy.

For all the ways we are complicit in perpetuating racism, forgive us, O God. For all the ways we have given over to apathy we stand in your judgement and pray for your mercy. Lord have mercy. **All: Lord have mercy.**

In a time deep pain for our nation, we pray that you bring healing to all, bring forth moral leadership, and inspire us to work for change and fight for justice. May Christ, who re-imagined death, give us inspiration for how to move forward in his way of love. **Amen.**

Waiting for Matthew Shepard's Funeral Service at the Washington National Cathedral to **Begin** by Clark Klitenic, St. Albans School Class of 2019

Waiting for Matthew Shepard's funeral service at the Washington National Cathedral to begin I stood in place holding my ground and my processional torch and a woman came down to me she cradled half empty an unlocked ziplock half filled with dirt she asked are you carrying the torch? I said yes cause I thought I was and let me tell you she looked me dead in my eyes and told me I can put some of this here dirt in your torch's collar it's from his hometown in Wyoming I said ok only right then and there smack in that moment I knew my torch couldn't be a torch anymore it was something like a heaven and she wasn't just a woman cause she hugged me so tight she had to be an angel and the dust wasn't dirt it was Matthew Shepard it was Wyoming it was a little black boy in Mississippi it was eleven Jews in Pittsburgh it was Adam it was Eve it was you it was me so how the hell are you gonna tell me that my torch's flame was just a flame. That's where my itch started. I wasn't really carrying a torch before right then and there but if I carry mine and you yours then we could really go somewhere.

Psalm 100: 1, 10-17

Shout out with joy to the Lord all the earth:

worship with gladness, and enter the Lord's presence with songs of joy.

Shout out with joy to the Lord!

Know that the Lord is God, our maker, and we are God's people.

We are the flock which the Lord our God shepherds.

Shout out with joy to the Lord!

Enter the gates of the temple with thanksgiving, and go into its courts with praise: give thanks and bless God's holy name.

Shout out with joy to the Lord!

For the Lord is a gracious God, whose mercy is everlasting: and whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

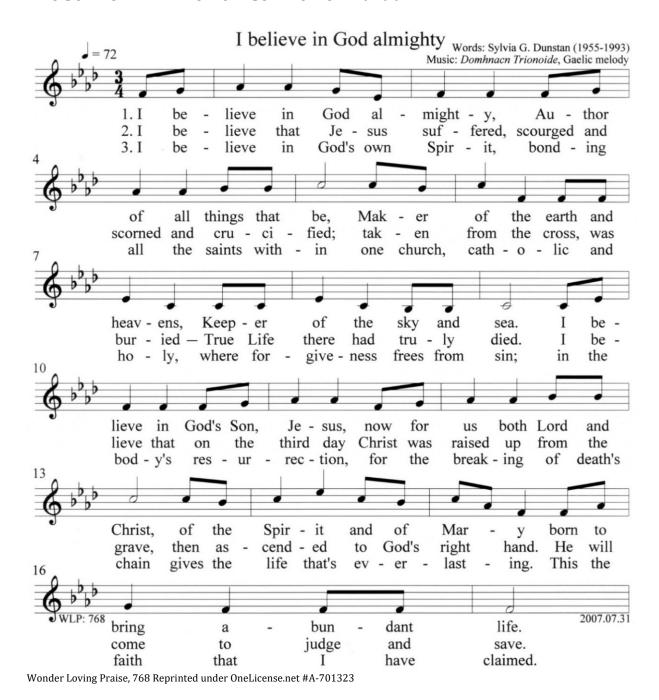
Shout out with joy to the Lord. Alleluia!

Matthew 9:35-10:8

Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, "The kingdom of heaven has come near." Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**.

The Sermon: The Rev. Connie Reinhardt



Prayers of the People

God of wind and fire, you send the Holy Spirit to renew us to do your work in the world. Come to us now; comfort and inspire us, refresh us challenge us as we seek to follow in the way of Jesus. We pray saying **Come Holy Spirit.**

Come Holy Spirit and renew your church in this challenging time. May we be open to new ways of sharing Christ's message of love and hope, and may we walk always in the way of justice. We pray for Michael our presiding bishop, Mariann our bishop, Connie our rector, and the community of St. George's, saying **Come Holy Spirit**.

Come Holy Spirit and be with those who lead, in our communities and in our state, in our country and in the world. May those who make decisions for others be guided by your wisdom and know their responsibility to care for those who are most vulnerable. We pray, saying **Come Holy Spirit.**

Come Holy Spirit and pour out your grace on those who are most in need: for those who are hungry; for those who are homeless; for those whose jobs risk their safety or health; for those who have lost their jobs and for those who struggle to get by. We pray, saying **Come Holy Spirit.**

Come Holy Spirit and give comfort and healing to those who are sick and those who suffer, to those in need and those in pain. We pray especially for those on our parish prayer list, and those we name before you now.... saying **Come Holy Spirit.**

Come Holy Spirit and comfort those who mourn. We pray for those who have died, that you may bring them rest in your loving arms, saying **Come Holy Spirit**.

Come Holy Spirit and fill us with gratitude for all of our blessings, given freely by the God who made us and loves us. May we live each day in a spirit of thanksgiving. We pray saying **Come Holy Spirit.**

Holy One you promise never to leave us comfortless. Help us trust in your goodness and to know ourselves surrounded by your grace, now and always, through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Announcements and Blessings for Birthdays & Anniversaries



St. George's will hold a special service on **Thursday, June 18** as a vigil in advance of the *Mass Poor People's Assembly and Moral March on Washington*. The service will be held via Zoom beginning at **7:00 pm**. For information about participating in the service, go to the parish website Calendar page for the link.

The Mass Poor People's Assembly and Moral March on Washington is a virtual rally that will take place online from 10:00 to 12:30 pm on Saturday, June 20.

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Offertory Hymn: Gather #433 On Eagle's Wings





Prayers for Communion in Spirit

Celebrant: Though we are separated from one another spatially, we remain connected to each other in heart and spirit as we contemplate the real presence of Christ in our midst. We remember that Christ is truly present with us, not only in bread and wine, but in our daily lives. Through this period of our physical separation, we fast from a literal participation in the sharing of communion, while also knowing that we receive the presence of Christ through our desire to share the sacrament. In that spirit let us pray:

Jesus, I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Though we cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

Instrumental Meditation: G. Gariboldi #11 Melody by Massenet performed by Rachel Willingham

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: And now in the Spirit of Christ, we pray,

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. 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.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord, who sends us out to share the good news of your love and work for justice. We offer to you our humble thanks and praise for the blessings we have received this day through our worship of you; we pray that the week to come may be spent in your presence; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Blessing

God blesses us so that we may be a blessing for others, so as you go out into the world, May the grace of God bless you with peace; may the love of Christ sustain you with joy; and may the power of the Holy Spirit fill you with courage, this day and forevermore. Amen.



Dismissal Hymn: Hymnal 1982 - #686 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing



bove. Praise the mount! Oh, fix me on it, mount of God's un-chang-ing love.
 God; he, to res - cue me from dan-ger, in - ter-posed his pre-cious blood.
 love; here's my heart, oh, take and seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

Celebrant: Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. **People:** Thanks be to God!