



Church of St. Bartholomew
Twentieth Sunday of Pentecost

Sunday, October 18, 2020

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Prelude

Grace and Welcome

Collect Almighty and everliving God, increase in us your gift of faith, that forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Reading: Exodus 33:12-23 *read by Jane Billings*

Moses said to the Lord, "See, you have said to me, 'Bring up this people'; but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, 'I know you by name, and you have also found favour in my sight.' Now if I have found favour in your sight, show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favour in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people." He said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." And he said to him, "If your presence will not go, do not carry us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favour in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth." The Lord said to Moses, "I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favour in my sight, and I know you by name." Moses said, "Show me your glory, I pray." And he said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, 'The Lord'; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But," he said, "you cannot see my face; for no one shall see me and live." And the Lord continued, "See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock; and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

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

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, "Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, 6 while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, "The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. "But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, "Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily *The Reverend Canon David Clunie*

Prayers of the People

In peace let us pray to the Lord saying **Lord, have mercy.**

For peace from on high and for our salvation,
let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all,
let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For our bishops, and for all the clergy and people,
let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For Elizabeth our Queen, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority,
let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For our national capital region and for every city and community,
and for those who live in them in faith,
let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For good weather, and for abundant harvests for all to share,
let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who lack food, water, work or shelter, for all who suffer from wars, famine or disease, mindful of fires on the west coast and a rising anxiety of a second or third wave of Covid-19, for first responders and support workers, for all medical researchers and professionals, especially those in hospitals and long-term care facilities. We pray for those known to us who are ill, remembering at St Bart's, *Sue, Liba, Margaret, Laurie, Harriott, Marissa, Mary, Fay, Don, Christina, Hana and her family, Harriet and her family in Africa, Michael and Kathleen* and at St Aidan's for *Lee, Norma, Lois, Julie, Gary, Lisa, Shirley, Warren, Seare. (silence)*

For prisoners and captives, and for their safety, health, and salvation,
let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For our deliverance from all affliction, strife, and need,
let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offences,
let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who have died,
let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

Remembering St Matthew and St Luke and all the saints, we commit ourselves, one another,
and our whole life to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord.

Offertory: Blessed be thou, Lord God of Israel for ever and ever. All that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine. All things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Celebrant

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things. By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering, to bring release to those who place their hope in you; and so he won for you a holy people. He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that he might shatter the chains of evil and death and banish the darkness of sin and despair. By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence.

Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks, saying, "Take, and eat: this is my body which is broken for you." In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church. Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries, filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever.
Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

The Communion

Prayer after Communion

God of peace, you have nourished us in this sacrament with the body and blood of Christ. May we who have taken holy things keep faith in our hearts and lives, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Announcements

Blessing

Dismissal

Postlude