

Worship Booklet for Sheltering-in-Place
=== *Morning Prayer* ===
The Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost: October 10, 2021
The Season of Pentecost / The Season of Stewardship
THE ORDER OF SERVICE

Introduction – Rev. Dr. Lois Williams

Opening Hymn – Gather #368, “To God With Gladness Sing” v. 1 - 3

Verse 1:

To God with gladness sing,
Your Rock and Savior bless;
Within God’s temple bring
Your songs of thankfulness!
O Lord of might,
To you we sing,
Enthroned as King
On heaven’s height!

Verse 2:

God cradles in his hand
The heights and depths of earth;
God made the sea and land,
And brought the world to birth!
O Lord most high,
We are your sheep,
On us you keep
Your Shepherd’s eye!

Verse 3:

Your heav’nly Father praise,
Acclaim his only Son,
Your voice in homage raise
To him who makes all one!
O Dove of peace,
On us descend,
That strife may end
And joy increase!

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

Officiant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All *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.

Priest 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.*

Officiant Lord, open our lips.
Response And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

*All Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.*

Officiant The mercy of the Lord is everlasting: Come let us adore him.

Venite *Psalm 95:1-7 Venite, exultemus*

A Reader leads the recitation

Reader and People together

*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!*

Psalm *Psalm 22:1-15 Deus, Deus meus*

A Reader leads the recitation

Reader and People together

*My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? *
and are so far from my cry
and from the words of my distress?*

*O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you do not answer; *
by night as well, but I find no rest.*

*Yet you are the Holy One, *
enthroned upon the praises of Israel.*

*Our forefathers put their trust in you; *
they trusted, and you delivered them.*

*They cried out to you and were delivered; *
they trusted in you and were not put to shame.*

*But as for me, I am a worm and no man, *
scorned by all and despised by the people.*

*All who see me laugh me to scorn; *
they curl their lips and wag their heads, saying,
"He trusted in the Lord; let him deliver him; *
let him rescue him, if he delights in him."*

*Yet you are he who took me out of the womb, *
and kept me safe upon my mother's breast.*

*I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born; *
you were my God when I was still in my mother's womb.*

*Be not far from me, for trouble is near, *
and there is none to help.*

*Many young bulls encircle me; *
strong bulls of Bashan surround me.*

*They open wide their jaws at me, *
like a ravening and a roaring lion.*

*I am poured out like water;
all my bones are out of joint; *
my heart within my breast is melting wax.*

*My mouth is dried out like a pot-sherd;
my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth; *
and you have laid me in the dust of the grave.*

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.*

The Old Testament – *Job 23:1-9, 16-17*

Reader: A reading from the Book of Job.

Job said:

"Today also my complaint is bitter;
his hand is heavy despite my groaning.

Oh, that I knew where I might find him,
that I might come even to his dwelling!

I would lay my case before him,
and fill my mouth with arguments.

I would learn what he would answer me,
and understand what he would say to me.

Would he contend with me in the greatness of his power?
No; but he would give heed to me.

There an upright person could reason with him,
and I should be acquitted forever by my judge.

"If I go forward, he is not there;
or backward, I cannot perceive him;
on the left he hides, and I cannot behold him;
I turn to the right, but I cannot see him.

God has made my heart faint;
the Almighty has terrified me;

If only I could vanish in darkness,
and thick darkness would cover my face!"

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

Response *Thanks be to God.*

The Epistle – Hebrews 4:12-16

Reader: A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

Response *Thanks be to God.*

***Gradual -- Celtic Alleluia**

After a brief introduction, sing two times through

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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The Gospel – Mark 10:17-31

Officiant The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Response *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age — houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions — and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

Officiant The Gospel of our Savior.

Response *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

A Reflection – Rev. Lois

A Stewardship Reflection – Christine Nadeau

9 The First Song of Isaiah *Ecce, Deus* *Isaiah 12:2-6*

A Reader leads the canticle recitation

Reader and People together.

*Surely, it is God who saves me; **
I will trust in him and not be afraid.
*For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, **
and he will be my Savior.
*Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing**
from the springs of salvation.
*And on that day you shall say, **
Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;
*Make his deeds known among the peoples; **
see that they remember that his Name is exalted.
*Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, **
and this is known in all the world.
*Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, **
for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of 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 for ever. Amen.

The Apostles' Creed

A Reader leads the recitation

Reader and People together

*We believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;
We 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.
We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins
and the life everlasting. Amen.*

Officiant The Lord be with you.

Response ***And also with you.***

Officiant Let us pray.

All ***Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.***

Give us today our daily bread.

***Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.***

***Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.***

***For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.***

Officiant Let us now pray:

Suffrage A

A Reader leads each versicle (V.) and the People respond (R.) :

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;

R. And grant us your salvation.

V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

R. Let your people sing with joy.

V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

R. For only in you can we live in safety.

V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
R. *And guide us in the way of justice and truth.*
V. Let your way be known upon earth;
R. *Your saving health among all nations.*
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
R. *Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.*
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
R. *And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.*

Reader: God of the cosmos and God of every heartbeat: Your work touches every corner of creation; yet, when times are hard, we wonder if you've deserted us, and we become tight-fisted and fearful that sharing with others will leave us empty handed. Now that we have brought our offerings to Christ the Lord Church to provide support for our parish, our community, and the world, give us the eyes to see, and the hearts to know, that you never desert us and never send us away in need. ***Amen.***

Moment of Gratitude: A pre-arranged volunteer from the congregation expresses thankfulness and appreciation for something that has affected their life.

Add your prayers for yourself and the world, and thanks for God's blessings, out loud or in the chat.

The Collect of the Day

Officiant Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

A Prayer for the Conservation of Natural Resources

Reader: Almighty God, in giving us dominion over things on earth, you made us fellow workers in your creation: Give us wisdom and reverence so to use the resources of nature, that no one may suffer from our abuse of them, and that generations yet to come may continue to praise you for your bounty; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

A Prayer for Guidance

Reader: Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

A Collect for Mission

Reader: Lord God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

The General Thanksgiving

Officiant and People together

*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 ourselves 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.*

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom [KRIS-us-tum]

Reader: 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.**

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

Response **Thanks be to God.**

Closing Hymn – Gather #496, "Sing Hey for the Carpenter," v. 1 & 4

Verse 1:

Come with me, come wander,
come welcome the world
Where strangers might smile
or where stones may be hurled;
Come leave what you cling to,
lay down what you clutch
And find, with hands empty,
that hearts can hold much.
(to Refrain)

Verse 4:

Come leave your possessions,
come share out your treasure.
Come give and receive
without method or measure;
Come loose ev'ry bond
that's resisting the Spirit,
Enabling the earth
to be yours to inherit.
(to Refrain)

Refrain:

Sing hey for the carpenter
leaving his tools!
Sing hey for the Pharisees
leaving their rules!
Sing hey for the fishermen
leaving their nets!
Sing hey for the people
who leave their regrets!

Officiant 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*

Announcements

Don't forget to join us for virtual coffee hour after the service through Zoom! Check your email from Sandy for details.

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