

Worship Booklet for Sheltering-in-Place
=== Morning Prayer ===
The Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost: October 18, 2020
THE ORDER OF SERVICE

Introduction – Rev. Leslie Nipps, guest clergy

Opening Hymn – Gather #379, “Sing a New Song to the Lord,” v. 1 & 3

Verse 1:

Sing a new song to the Lord,
He to whom wonders belong!
Rejoice in his triumph
and tell of his power,
O sing to the Lord a new song!

Verse 3:

Sing a new song and rejoice,
Publish his praises abroad!
Let voices in chorus,
with trumpet and horn
O sing to the Lord a new song!

Officiant Give thanks to the Lord, and call upon his Name; make known his deeds among the peoples. *Psalm 105:1*

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.

Jubilate *Psalm 100* *Jubilate Deo*

A Reader leads the recitation

Reader and People together

*Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; *
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.*

*Know this: The Lord himself is God; *
he himself has made us, and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.*

*Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
go into his courts with praise; *
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.*

*For the Lord is good;
his mercy is everlasting; *
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.*

Psalm *Psalm 96:1-9,(10-13)* *Cantate Domino*

A Reader leads the recitation

Reader and People together

*Sing to the Lord a new song; *
sing to the Lord, all the whole earth.*

*Sing to the Lord and bless his Name; *
proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.*

*Declare his glory among the nations *
and his wonders among all peoples.*

*For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; *
he is more to be feared than all gods.*

*As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols; *
but it is the Lord who made the heavens.*

*Oh, the majesty and magnificence of his presence! *
Oh, the power and the splendor of his sanctuary!*

*Ascribe to the Lord, you families of the peoples; *
ascribe to the Lord honor and power.*

*Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; *
bring offerings and come into his courts.*

*Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; *
let the whole earth tremble before him.*

*[Tell it out among the nations: "The Lord is King! *
he has made the world so firm that it cannot be moved;
he will judge the peoples with equity."]*

*Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad;
let the sea thunder and all that is in it; *
let the field be joyful and all that is therein.*

*Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy
before the Lord when he comes, *
when he comes to judge the earth.*

*He will judge the world with righteousness *
and the peoples with his truth.]*

*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 – Isaiah 45:1-7

Reader:

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus,
whose right hand I have grasped

to subdue nations before him
and strip kings of their robes,

to open doors before him—
and the gates shall not be closed:

I will go before you and level the mountains,

I will break in pieces the doors of bronze
and cut through the bars of iron,

I will give you the treasures of darkness
and riches hidden in secret places,

so that you may know that it is I, the Lord,
the God of Israel, who call you by your name.

For the sake of my servant Jacob,
and Israel my chosen,

I call you by your name, I surname you, though you do not know me.

I am the Lord, and there is no other;
besides me there is no god.

I arm you, though you do not know me,

so that they may know, from the rising of the sun
and from the west, that there is no one besides me;

I am the Lord, and there is no other.

I form light and create darkness,

I make weal and create woe;

I the Lord do all these things.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

Response ***Thanks be to God.***

The Epistle – 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Reader:

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace.

We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

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 – Matthew 22:15-22

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

Response *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?” But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, “Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax.” And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, “Whose head is this, and whose title?” They answered, “The emperor’s.” Then he said

to them, “Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor’s, and to God the things that are God’s.” When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

Officiant The Gospel of our Savior.

Response *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

A Reflection – Rev. Leslie Nipps

A Stewardship Testimonial – Kathy Cleberg

18 A Song to the Lamb *Dignus es* Revelation 4:11;5:9-10,13

A Reader leads the canticle recitation

Reader and People together.

*Splendor and honor and kingly power **
are yours by right, O Lord our God,
*For you created everything that is, **
and by your will they were created and have their being;

*And yours by right, O Lamb that was slain, **
for with your blood you have redeemed for God,
*From every family, language, people, and nation, **
a kingdom of priests to serve our God.

*And so, to him who sits upon the throne, **
and to Christ the Lamb,
*Be worship and praise, dominion and splendor, **
for ever and for evermore.

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 Peace, we are confronted with so many overwhelming needs in our world. Walk with us as we set aside our own desires and wants and join the call to alleviate human suffering. Transform these financial gifts we have made to Christ the Lord Church and our community into genuine acts of concern and ministry to others. In the name of the One who surpasses all understanding, we pray. ***Amen.***

NEW - Moment of Gratitude: A volunteer (pre-arranged) 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.

A Prayer for the Right Use of God's Gifts

Officiant Lord God, whose loving hand has given us all that we possess: Grant us grace that we may honor you with our substance, and, remembering the account which we must one day give, may be faithful stewards of your bounty; 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 Unemployed

Reader: Heavenly Father, we remember before you those who suffer want and anxiety from lack of work, especially during this time of pandemic. Guide the people of this land so to use our public and private wealth that all in need may be supported until they are once again able to find suitable employment, and also receive just payment for their labor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Prayer for the Poor and the Neglected

Reader: Almighty and most merciful God, we remember before you all poor and neglected persons whom it would be easy for us to forget: the homeless and the destitute, the old and the sick, and all who have none to care for them. Help us to heal those who are broken in body or spirit, and to turn their sorrow into joy. Grant this, Father, for the love of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who for our sake became poor. *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 #510, “The Summons,” v. 1, 2 & 5

Verse 1:

Will you come and follow me
If I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know
And never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown,
Will you let my name be known,
Will you let my life be grown
In you and you in me?

Verse 2:

Will you leave yourself behind
If I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind
And never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare
Should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer pray'r
In you and you in me?

Verse 5:

Lord, your summons echoes true
When you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you
And never be the same.
In your company I'll go
Where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow
In you and you in me.

Officiant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.** *2 Corinthians 13;14*

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