

Sunday, June 4, 2021

At 10:00 a.m.

Worship Booklet

Pentecost 6

A Liturgy of the Word

*Please join our
Livestream on
Zoom.*



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Land Acknowledgement

Ascension gathers on the unceded territory of the Algonquin Anishnaabeg people.

Here I Am Lord

I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard My people cry.
All who live in dark and sin
My hand will save.

I who make the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard You calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if You lead me.
I will hold Your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne My people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone,
give them hearts of love alone.
I will speak My word to them.
Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard You calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if You lead me.
I will hold Your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide
till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give My life to them.
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Opening Prayers

God is with us
O come, let us worship!

Although we have come together in digital space, we each stand in place on solid ground that is the ancestral territory of Indigenous peoples. *I live in the City of Ottawa which is located on the unceded territory of the Algonquin Anishinaabeg people.*
On whose territory do you live?

Silence

Let us pray,

Loving God,
help us to live respectfully on these lands,
seeking justice and peace. Help us to pray
to you in faith, to sing to you with
gratitude, and to listen to your word with
eagerness; so that we might follow Christ
our Lord. Amen.

Rite of Repentance

The Spirit of God fills the world and all
God's people, working for the healing and
restoration of creation. Let us then open
ourselves to God and confess our sins in
penitence and faith.

Silence

Most merciful God;
in your compassion, forgive us our sins,
known and unknown, things done and left
undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit

that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honour and glory of your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Thanks be to God who forgives us and sets us free, heals and strengthens us by Holy Spirit, and raises us to new life in Christ.
Amen.

Gloria

Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!

Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!

Repeat

Collect of the Day

God of the prophets,
in every age you send the word of truth,
familiar yet new. Let us not be counted
among those who lack faith, but give us

vision to see Christ in our midst and to welcome your saving word. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Reading / Ezekiel 2:1-5

A Reading from ...

He said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and

you shall say to them, 'Thus says the Lord God. 'Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the churches
Thanks be to God

Psalm 123

To you I lift up my eyes, to you enthroned in the heavens.

As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,

so our eyes look to you, O Lord our God, until you show us your mercy.

Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy, for we have had more than enough of contempt,

too much of the scorn of the indolent rich,
and of the derision of the proud.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Repeat

Gospel Reading / Mark 6:1-13

God is here

The Spirit is with us

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

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Jesus came to his hometown, and his
disciples followed him. On the sabbath he
began to teach in the synagogue, and
many who heard him were astounded.
They said, "Where did this man get all this?
What is this wisdom that has been given to

him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offence at him. Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honour, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He

said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Sermon

Just as I am

Just as I am without one plea,
but that thy blood was shed for me,
and that thou biddest me come to thee,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;
sight, riches, healing of the mind,
yea, all I need in thee to find,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am though tossed about
with many a conflict, many a doubt,
fightings and fears within, without,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, and waiting not
to rid my soul of one dark blot,
to thee, whose blood can cleanse each
spot,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am thy love unknown
has broken every barrier down –
now to be thine, yea, thine alone,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Affirmation of Faith

Together, let us affirm our faith as we say:
Hear, O my people the Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. This is the first and the great commandment. The second is like it: Love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Gathering our prayers and praises into one,
let us pray as our Saviour taught us,

**Our Mother, 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.

Closing Prayers

God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. And so we join our voices and bodies in praise and thanksgiving:

Glory to God

whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

Peace to you from God, the Source of all being. Peace from Jesus Christ who is our peace. Peace from the Holy Spirit who gives us life.

With hands on our hearts, we share this peace: The peace of the triune God be always with you.

Go to the World

Go to the world! Go into all the earth.
Go preach the cross where Christ renews
life's worth,
baptizing as the sign of our rebirth.
Halleluia! Halleluia!

Go to the world! Go into every place.
Go live the word of God's redeeming grace.
Go seek God's presence in each time and
space
Halleluia! Halleluia!

Go to the world! Go struggle, bless and
pray;
the nights of tears give way to joyous day.
As servant Church,
you follow Christ's own way.
Halleluia! Halleluia!

Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,
for I am with you 'till the age shall end,
when all the hosts of glory cry "Amen!"
Halleluia! Halleluia!

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
Thanks be to God

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