

Sunday, June 25, 2021

At 10:00 a.m.

Worship Booklet

Pentecost 9

A Liturgy of the Word

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Livestream on
Zoom.*



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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.

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

In your compassionate love, O God, you nourish us with words of life and bread of blessing. Grant that Jesus may calm our fears, and move our hearts to praise your goodness by sharing our bread with others. **Amen.**

First Reading | 2 Samuel 11:1-15

A Reading from ...

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the churches

Thanks be to God

Psalm 145:10-19

I will exalt you, O God my sovereign,
and bless your name for ever and ever.

**Every day will I bless you
and praise your name for ever and ever.**

Great are you, O Lord, and greatly to be praised; there is no end to your greatness. **One generation shall praise your works to another and shall declare your power.**

I will ponder the glorious splendour of your majesty and all your marvellous works. **They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts, and I will tell of your greatness.**

They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness; they shall sing of your righteous deeds.

O Lord, you are gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and of great kindness.

You are loving to everyone and your compassion is over all your works. **All your works praise you, O Lord, and your faithful servants bless you.**

They make known the glory of your
dominion and speak of your power;
**so that the peoples may know of your
power and the glorious splendour of your
dominion.**

Your sovereignty is an everlasting one;
your dominion endures throughout all
ages.

**Lord, you are faithful in all your words
and merciful in all your deeds.**

You uphold all those who fall and lift up
those who are bowed down.

**The eyes of all wait upon you, O Lord, and
you give them their food in due season.**

You open wide your hand and satisfy the
needs of every living creature.

**You are righteous in all your ways
and loving in all your works.**

You are near to those who call upon you,
to all who call upon you faithfully.

**You fulfil the desire of those who fear
you, you hear their cry and help them.**

You preserve all those who love you,
but you destroy all the wicked.

**My mouth shall speak your praise,
O Lord; let all flesh bless your holy name
for ever and ever.**

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Repeat

Gospel Reading | John 6:1-21

God is here

The Spirit is with us

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

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But

what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world." When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the

mountain by himself. When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Sermon | Ann

When I Look at the World

When you look at the world
What is it that you see
People find all kinds of things
That bring them to their knees

I see an expression
So clear and so true
That it changes the atmosphere
When you walk (in)to the room

So I try to be like you
Try to feel it like you do
But without you it's no use
I can't see what you see

When I look at the world
When the night is someone else's
And you're trying to get some sleep
When your thoughts are too expensive
To ever want to keep

When there's all kinds of chaos
And everyone is walking lame
You don't even blink now do you
Or even look away

So I try to be like you
Try to feel it like you do
But without you it's no use
I can't see what you see

When I look at the world
I can't wait any longer
I can't wait 'til I'm stronger
Can't wait any longer
To see what you see
When I look at the world

I'm in the waiting room
I can't see for the smoke
I think of you and your holy book
When the rest of us choke

Tell me, tell me
What do you see
Tell me, tell me
What's wrong with me

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.

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

Praise the One who breaks the darkness with a liberating light.

Praise the One who frees the prisoners, turning blindness into sight.

Praise the One who preached the gospel
healing every dread disease,
calming storms and feeding thousands
with the very bread of peace.

Praise the One who blessed the children
with a strong yet gentle word.
Praise the One who drove out demons
with a piercing two-edged sword.

Praise the one who brings cool water
to the desert's burning sand.
From this well comes living water
quenching thirst in every land.

Praise the one true love incarnate:
Christ who suffered in our place.
Jesus died and rose for many
that we may know God by grace.
Let us sing for joy and gladness,

seeing what our God has done.
Praise the one redeeming glory;
praise the One who makes us one.

Dismissal

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

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